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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

DECEMBER 7, 1931.

To the PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-SECOND CONGRESS:

Pursuant to the provisions of section 6 (c) of the act of July 3, 1930 (Public, No. 536, 71st Cong.), I have the honor to submit the following report of activities of the Veterans' Administration for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1931.

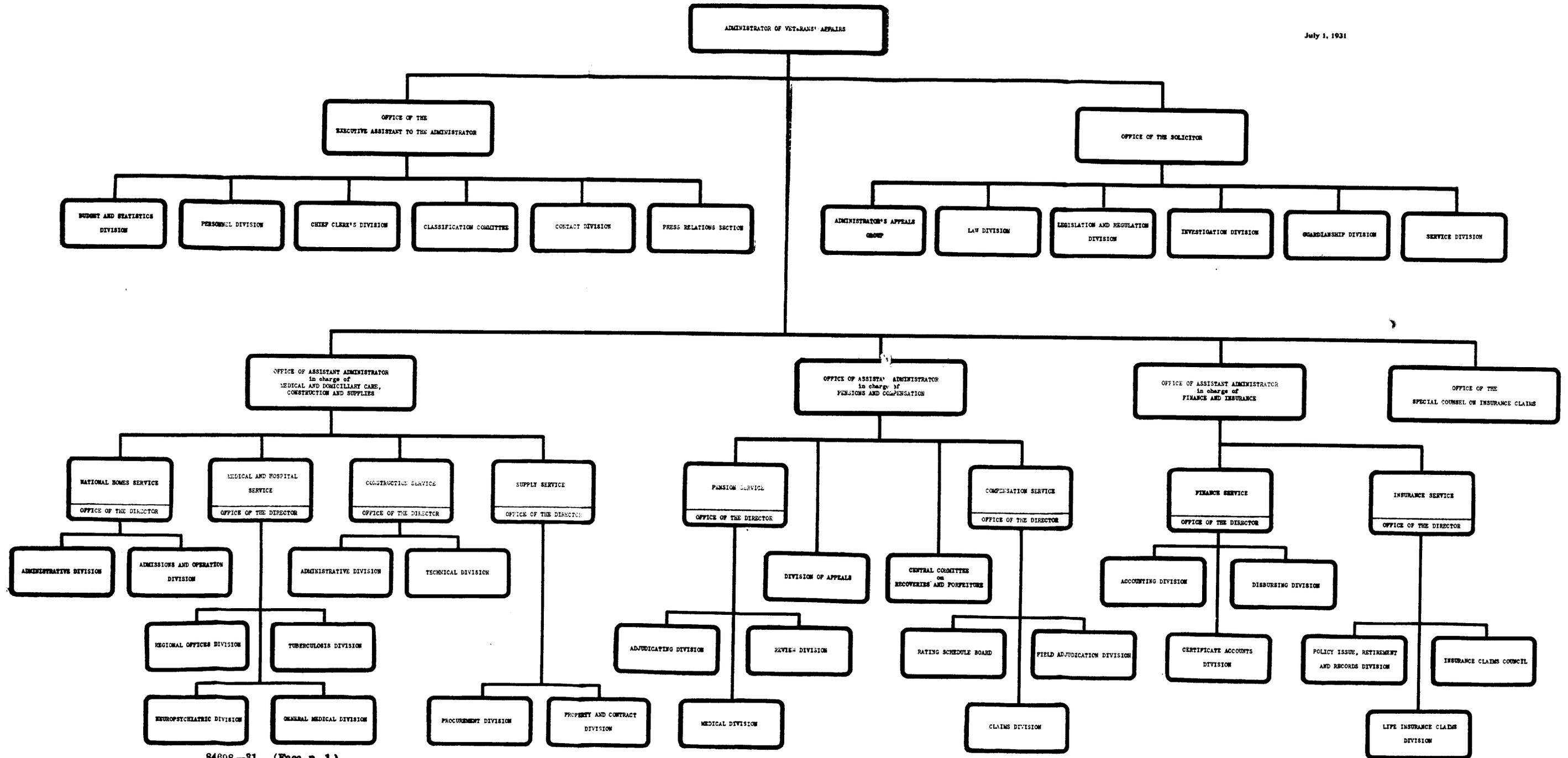
This report covers the first year of the consolidation of Government agencies administering relief to war veterans, and clearly demonstrates the scope of the present activities of the Veterans' Administration. It also outlines the measurable benefits which have accrued through the consolidation.

Respectfully,

FRANK T. HINES, *Administrator.*

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

July 1, 1931



ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1931

INTRODUCTION

Consolidation.—Public, No. 536 (71st Cong.), approved July 3, 1930, authorized the President by Executive order to consolidate and coordinate governmental agencies affecting war veterans into an establishment to be known as the Veterans' Administration. On July 21, 1930, the President issued an Executive order authorizing the consolidation of the United States Veterans' Bureau, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and the Bureau of Pensions, and within a few days thereafter the then Director of the Veterans' Bureau was appointed and confirmed as the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs. But few immediate changes were made in the plan of organization of these agencies and they continued to operate as bureaus of the Veterans' Administration until July 1, 1931, when a new plan of organization became effective which redistributed the several functional activities of the three then existing agencies to the end that related activities were set up under a common jurisdiction, and these closely related services were grouped under the supervision of an assistant administrator. This does not mean, however, that no action was taken toward merging certain of these activities until the effective date of the general reorganization. Within a few months after the issuance of the Executive order, all finance, supply, and construction activities had been combined or more closely coordinated, and thereafter for the balance of the year continuous study was made of the procedural and organizational changes necessary to carry out the general reorganization plan with the least possible friction and with the utmost dispatch.

It might be mentioned that the progress made in this direction was but slightly hampered by the tremendous load of new legislation under which the administration labored throughout the entire year. The act of June 2, 1930, which authorized the payment of increased pensions to Spanish War veterans required the filing of formal application for the new rate with the result that over 50,000 more claims of veterans of this war were considered during this as compared with last year. The amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act, providing for the payment of disability allowance, resulted in the filing of 541,943 applications for this benefit, of which 448,441 had been adjudicated to the close of this year. Under the amendment of February 27, 1931, to the World War adjusted compensation act, there were 2,063,576 loans made to the close of this year as compared with 867,741 for the first eight months of this fiscal period. In addition, the amendment of May 29, 1930, which became effective July 1, 1930, to the civil service retirement act, not only resulted in the filing of an increased number of original claims for annuities but also necessitated the examination and recomputation of the 17,768 active cases on the rolls.

While it is somewhat early to measure the benefits which have been gained through this consolidation, experience to date conclusively shows that the reasons advanced for its accomplishment have proven sound and promise for the future material savings in administrative expenditures and in the development of hospital and domiciliary facilities.

Under the consolidation it has been possible to establish a single point of contact for veterans of all wars for the consideration of claims for that relief to which they are entitled. It has been possible to harmonize rulings and procedure of the Government with respect to the manner in which relief is to be extended. This process of harmonization will prospectively become broader in scope and increasingly effective. Isolated field units have been absorbed into the major administrative units set up in regional areas. Activities in given areas have been better coordinated and as in the instance of the facilities at the Veterans' Administration in Milwaukee, Wis., definite merging under one head of Soldiers' Home and Veterans' Bureau activities has been effected, eliminating dual functions being performed in a given limited area. Under one control there has been developed a complete picture of the inequalities in benefits as applied to veterans of the various wars to the end that these may be presented to Congress with appropriate recommendation looking toward adjustment. Most especially there has immediately resulted maximum utilization of existing facilities and this will materially affect the future veterans' construction program of the Government. Where hitherto facilities available to all veterans were under the control of two separate organizations, they are now under the control of a single administrative head, who has the power to direct their utilization to the best interests of the Government and the veteran himself. In the consideration of new facilities for veterans, whether of a hospital or domiciliary character, there is represented definite economy in the approved plan to consider all home and hospital facilities as being possible of expansion in either direction; that is, to erect additional hospital facilities for purely that purpose at existing homes, or to erect domiciliary facilities at existing hospitals. This will obviate the necessity of establishing new centers in certain instances and eliminate the expense incident to such establishment through making it unnecessary to erect in connection with the additional beds the utilities and other buildings which are essential to a new plant.

To illustrate—it is proposed to erect domiciliary facilities for 350 veterans at the veterans' hospital, Tuskegee, Ala. Were the Veterans' Administration to consider erecting the same number of beds at a new location, the cost would be more than three times the estimated cost for the additional facilities approved for Tuskegee. Certain other veterans' hospitals are equally suitable in whole or in part for the establishment there of domiciliary facilities, and not only are the economies of such a plan apparent, but also there results a better distribution of these facilities throughout the country.

Considering the effect of consolidation from an administrative cost viewpoint, it can be definitely stated that if the three organizations functioning separately prior to consolidation had undertaken the combined load of work placed upon the Veterans' Administration at the inception of the new organization it would have cost the

Government considerably more in administrative overhead. In other words, these three agencies working together have been able to handle the increased load brought about by additional benefits and the work involved in carrying out the increased loans made on adjusted service certificates authorized at the last session of Congress at a reduced cost and with greater efficiency. Due to the magnitude of the undertaking and the great spread of the activities involved, it will take a little time for the organization to settle down to that point where the greatest efficiency will obtain. In the actual work of consolidation, involving the separation and regrouping of functions, it will temporarily bring about some duplication of effort and increased cost. This in a short time will disappear and bring in its place marked economies and increased efficiency. To summarize, it may be definitely stated that consolidation will result in more efficient service to the veteran, standardization of methods and procedure, and economy to the Government in placing into effect the laws designed to give a full measure of veterans' relief.

Under the consolidated plan of veterans' relief the scope of the present Veterans' Administration can best be illustrated by the number of veterans or their dependents who are at this time receiving direct financial benefits at the hands of the Government. As of June 30, 1931, exclusive of the benefits of insurance, adjusted compensation, hospital or domiciliary care and civil service retirement, there were on the rolls of the Veterans' Administration 1,349,812 beneficiaries as follows:

Class of service:	Total veterans and dependents of deceased or living veterans
War of 1812.....	8
Mexican War.....	547
Indian wars.....	9,753
Civil War.....	193,721
Spanish-American War.....	239,860
Regular Establishment.....	22,571
World War.....	883,352

It is significant to realize that the total expenditures to July 1, 1931, of the Government on behalf of all veterans exceeded \$14,000,000,000.

Organization.—Under the plan of organization of the Veterans' Administration which became effective July 1, 1931, there are five major units, namely (a) office of the administrator; (b) office of the assistant administrator in charge of medical and domiciliary care, construction, and supplies; (c) office of the assistant administrator in charge of pensions and compensation; (d) office of the assistant administrator in charge of finance and insurance; and (e) office of the special counsel on insurance claims.

The office of the administrator includes the office of the executive assistant to the administrator and the office of the solicitor. The executive assistant to the administrator has jurisdiction over and is directly responsible to the administrator for all matters pertaining to budget estimates and control; the obtaining, compilation, and evaluation of statistical data; personnel activities; leases and agreements affecting the procurement of office space; the operation and maintenance of the Arlington Building; contact with claimants, beneficiaries and their representatives in central office; and contact with the press. The solicitor has jurisdiction over and is directly responsible for the

preparation of opinions on all legal questions arising in the Veterans' Administration which may be submitted by the administrator or the assistant administrators, claims for damages done to property by or through the operation of the Veterans' Administration, and other claims; criminal prosecutions; subrogation matters; civil recoveries; litigation other than suits under section 19 of the World War veterans' act, as amended; maintenance of contact with and preparation of submissions to the Attorney General and the Comptroller General on such matters as may be indicated by the administrator; all guardianship matters; editing, coordinating and compiling of regulations, orders, bulletins and forms; legislation; appeals to the administrator; and investigations.

The office of the assistant administrator in charge of medical and domiciliary care, construction, and supplies consists of the following services: (a) Medical and hospital service, (b) national home service, (c) construction service, and (d) service of subsistence and medical supplies. The medical and hospital service is under the control and direction of a medical director who is responsible for all matters relating to the medical, including dental care, treatment, hospitalization, physical examination, and out-patient relief of beneficiaries and claimants. The national home service is under the control and direction of a director who is responsible for all matters relating to the domiciliary care of beneficiaries and claimants. The construction service is under the control and direction of a director who is responsible for the preliminary inspection and engineering work in connection with the selection of sites for new hospitals, homes, and other facilities; preparation of plans and specifications; estimates covering construction; alterations and repair of plants and equipment; the supervision and performance of such work; construction contracts and general supervision; and the maintenance and operation of utilities. The service of subsistence and medical supplies is under the control and direction of a director who is responsible for the purchase, storage, and distribution of and accountability for medical, surgical, hospital and home supplies, and subsistence; operation and management of supply depots; and contracts for medical, surgical, hospital, and burial services.

The office of the assistant administrator in charge of pensions and compensation consists of two services—the pension service and compensation service. The pension service is under the control and direction of a director of pensions who is responsible for the preparation and adjudication of claims for pensions and disability allowance; and the suspension or disbarment of attorneys or agents practicing before the administration in pension claims. The compensation service is under the control and direction of a director of compensation who is responsible for the preparation and adjudication of claims for compensation and emergency officers' retirement; and claims for reimbursement covering medical and hospital treatment, traveling expenses of last illness, and burial.

The office of the assistant administrator in charge of finance and insurance consists of two services—the finance service and the insurance service. The finance service is under the control and direction of a director who is responsible for all matters relating to the disbursement of and accounting for public moneys appropriated for

the purposes set out in the laws governing the Veterans' Administration; allotments and allowances under the war risk insurance act; and loans on adjusted service certificates and converted insurance policies. The insurance service is under the control and direction of a director who is responsible for the administration of the provisions of Title III of the World War veterans' act of 1924, relative to insurance and the adjudication of claims for benefits thereunder; the issue of certificates and the preparation and adjudication of all claims for adjusted compensation benefits; and all matters relating to the administration of the civil service retirement law.

The special counsel on insurance claims has jurisdiction over and is solely responsible for cooperation with the Department of Justice in connection with litigation under section 19 of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, and the rendering of opinions to the administrator on such insurance claims as may be referred to him by the administrator.

Disability allowance.—During this fiscal year a new type of benefit was granted to veterans of the World War by the amendment of July 3, 1930, to section 200 of the World War veterans' act of 1924, which authorized the payment of a disability allowance to any honorably discharged ex-service man who entered the service prior to November 11, 1918, and served 90 days or more during the World War, and who is suffering from a 25 per cent or more permanent disability not the result of his own willful misconduct, which was not acquired in the service during the World War and for which compensation is not payable, and who was exempt from the payment of income tax for the year previous to that in which application for disability allowance was filed. The most significant feature of this legislation is that it represents the first departure in the Government's program of World War relief from the basic theory of service connection as a prerequisite to the payment of compensation for disabling injury or disease. As predicted in the annual report of the Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau for the fiscal year 1930, the claims thus far filed have greatly exceeded in volume the preliminary estimates based upon the experience and records of that former Government agency. Through June 30, 1931, a total of 541,943 applications had been filed, of which number 448,441 had been adjudicated. Of the total claims adjudicated 239,073 were allowed and 209,368 were disallowed. The active awards on June 30, 1931, totaled 229,568, while the disbursements for such purpose during this fiscal year approximated \$29,700,000. It would appear that economic conditions have had a marked bearing upon these allowances. No doubt many veterans with just claims have been compelled to apply for relief when thrown out of employment who otherwise would have carried on.

Adjusted compensation.—The amendment to the World War adjusted compensation act, effective February 27, 1931, provides that the loan basis of adjusted-service certificates shall at no time be less than 50 per cent of the face value of the certificate and the rate of interest on any loan made after the effective date of this amendment shall not exceed 4½ per cent per annum, compounded annually. The work involved in handling the large number of applications filed for these loan benefits constituted one of the biggest tasks of the Veterans' Administration during this fiscal year. Every effort was

made to make loans to veterans as promptly as possible and with the least inconvenience to them. The number of loans made during this year up to the effective date of the above amendment totaled 867,741 and amounted to \$71,415,403.25. In the month of March, immediately subsequent to the newly enacted loan provision, 835,993 loans were made; in April 914,433; in May 214,447; and in June 98,705. These figures show that the bulk of this work was disposed of during the first two months following the passage of the above amendatory legislation. The total amount disbursed for loans under the amended act to June 30, 1931, was \$795,569,519.73, making a total of \$866,984,-922.98 loaned direct to veterans during this fiscal year. At the end of the fiscal year it was estimated that the total value of outstanding loans of this character totaled \$1,087,195,525.

Hospitalization.—In the matter of hospitalization the new administration, like its predecessor, the former Veterans' Bureau, experienced difficulty in fulfilling all of the demand for Government hospital facilities, due to the constantly increasing pressure for hospitalization that is being exerted by veterans with disabilities not attributable to military service. Since June of 1924 when hospitalization was first authorized for the veterans of all wars without regard to the origin of their disabilities, the patient load for the nonservice-connected class has increased until it now forms 54.27 per cent of the total, an increase of approximately 8 per cent since June, 1930. This marked increase is further reflected in an analysis of the admissions to all hospitals during this year which shows that over three-fourths of the total were of the nonservice-connected class. If it is to be the policy of our Government to furnish hospitalization to the veterans of all wars whether their disabilities are due to service or otherwise, and such appears likely, in view of the action taken by the last Congress which specifically authorized for the first time the acquisition of facilities for the veterans of all wars, then the existing and authorized Government facilities will have to be materially increased to meet future demands. Most of the present pressure for hospital accommodations is being exerted by veterans suffering from general diseases or conditions, which also will be true of the future due to the increase in the number and frequency of diseases and conditions of this type which come with advancing years. For the neuropsychiatric type there has been a marked and consistent growth in the hospital load which should continue for the next 20 years, although to a much less extent than that expected for the general type. It appears that additional hospital facilities will not be required to meet the future demands of either the service-connected class as a whole or the tuberculous type of patient.

Hospital construction.—On March 4, 1931, the sum of \$20,877,000 was authorized to be appropriated for new hospital and domiciliary construction for beneficiaries of the Veterans' Administration, of which amount \$5,000,000 was appropriated on the same date. Unlike prior legislation, no report of the Congress containing its recommendations as to the locations where the funds should be expended accompanied this act, full responsibility for the expenditure of the authorization being vested in the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, subject to the approval of the President. The program approved to the close of this fiscal year provides for the acquisition

of 3,024 hospital and 350 domiciliary beds, at an estimated cost of \$8,157,000. For the entire authorization, it is expected to acquire approximately 6,000 beds in Veterans' Administration hospitals and 1,600 beds in the national homes. Upon completion of the construction to be accomplished under the act of March 4, 1931, and prior acts, there will be in Government hospitals, exclusive of the hospital beds normally required for the treatment of members of the national homes, a total of over 45,000 beds or a number sufficient to accommodate both the estimated service-connected and nonservice-connected loads of the Veterans' Administration through the year 1935. Beginning with the act of March 3, 1919, the first legislation providing funds for the acquisition of hospital facilities for World War veterans, the Congress has to date authorized, under eight general acts, the sum of \$113,327,000 for new hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient facilities, of which \$97,450,000 had been appropriated to June 30, 1931. In addition, the Congress has over the same period authorized by special acts, i. e., those covering single projects, the sum of \$9,425,000 for new domiciliary and hospital construction at national homes. Further, there has been expended since 1923 over \$14,000,000 from regular fiscal funds for permanent improvements and extensions to veterans' hospitals.

Employment.—The Veterans' Administration has long considered it to be a responsibility of the Government to aid in every possible way the securing of employment for veterans and much has been accomplished by the Department of Labor through the United States Employment Service in aiding veterans seeking employment. For this fiscal year, the sum of \$100,000 was made available to the Department of Labor for the establishment of offices to secure employment for veterans which represents an increase of \$77,000 over the amount available for this purpose last year. At the close of this year, there were 23 of these offices in operation in the principal cities throughout the country. Regional and other field offices of the Veterans' Administration have been instructed to cooperate fully with the Department of Labor in its employment activities and in case the latter agency does not have an employment office in the city in which the former is located, to utilize their own personnel in aiding in this particular work. Similarly, the medical officers in charge of hospitals and governors of national homes have been instructed to assist veterans in finding employment, and it will be the policy of the Veterans' Administration to so develop occupational therapy, especially in national homes, as to provide the means for veterans to learn certain occupations so that they may carry on on the outside when they are well enough to be discharged. At the national homes there has been continued the policy of employing members of the homes to supplement the full-time employees there, especially in the unclassified positions. To provide additional employment opportunity for members at the homes an executive order has made it possible to utilize the services of the members for certain classified positions, such as telephone operators, elevator operators, and guards. This policy enables veteran members at the homes to supplement their pension or compensation under an established pay scale, and while the turnover in this personnel naturally is large, it affords employment at any one time to more than 2,600 members. Further, there has been initiated and is being developed

the practice of drawing from the membership of homes suitable veterans to serve as attendants at hospitals especially in those localities where homes and hospitals are reasonably adjacent to one another. The membership at homes forms an excellent reservoir to meet such hospital needs, and the practice aids the veteran to reestablish himself. At the central office, Washington, D. C., active employment assistance is also rendered for veterans requesting assistance. Employment opportunities in Washington are carefully and continuously surveyed, and considerable success has been experienced in placing veterans in employment. The Veterans' Administration in cooperation with the Department of Labor and at the request of the Disabled Veterans of the World War, has sent out questionnaires to all disabled veterans drawing compensation so that any of that group may register their desire to be given consideration for such work as they are able to perform.

The text and tables which follow describe in detail the scope of the activities of the new administration and the benefits which have resulted through the consolidation.

NEW LEGISLATION

There was enacted on July 2, 1930, Public, No. 497 (71st Cong.), an act to apply the pension laws to the Coast Guard. This act applies the provisions of sections 4692, 4693, 4702, and 4703, Revised Statutes, commonly known as the general pension law, to officers and enlisted men of the Coast Guard and their widows, children, and other dependents under the same regulations and restrictions as are or may be provided by law to officers and enlisted men of the Army and Navy. The benefits provided by the act include claims for pension based on diseases contracted or death or injury incurred in service and line of duty from and after July 2, 1930. The date of commencement of the pension granted under this act is the date of filing application therefor in the Bureau of Pensions, now the Pension Service of the Veterans' Administration.

On July 3, 1930, there was enacted Public, No. 522 (71st Cong.), which amended the World War veterans' act in a number of important respects, principal of which were the following: (a) The payment of disability allowance is authorized to any honorably discharged ex-service man who entered the service prior to November 11, 1918, and served 90 days or more during the World War and who is suffering from a 25 per cent or more permanent disability, not the result of his own willful misconduct, which was not acquired in the service during the World War, or for which compensation is not payable; (b) additional compensation of \$25 per month independent of any other compensation which may be payable is authorized to be paid to persons who suffer an injury resulting in the loss of the use of a creative organ or one or more feet or hands as a result of an injury received in the active service in line of duty between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, with proviso that if such disability occurred while the veteran was serving with the United States military forces in Russia, the dates therein stated shall extend from April 6, 1917, to April 1, 1920; (c) the payment of burial and funeral expenses and transportation of the body to the home is authorized for those

veterans who die in national military homes; (*d*) the director, in his discretion, is authorized to pay to dependents of an incompetent veteran drawing compensation who disappears, the same amount of compensation as is provided for the same class of relatives of a veteran who dies of a service-connected disability; (*e*) the director is authorized to pay compensation to the person having custody or control of an incompetent or minor beneficiary during the time compensation payments to the legally appointed guardian are suspended or withheld because of the misconduct of the guardian, and authorizes continuance of a fund which the bureau is administering for the benefit of certain incompetent beneficiaries; (*f*) if there is a dependent father or mother, the amount paid them shall in no case be less than \$20 per month. Heretofore, dependent parents could not receive in excess of the difference between the total amount payable to a widow and children and the sum of \$75; (*g*) decisions of the director on questions of fact and law affecting any claimant to the benefits of Titles II, III, and IV of the World War veterans' act shall be final; (*h*) regulations of the bureau relative to evidence must provide that due regard be given to lay and other evidence not of a medical nature in connection with the adjudication of claims; (*i*) suits on term insurance contracts may be instituted within one year of the date of approval of this amendatory act; (*j*) hospitalization under section 202 (10) of the World War veterans' act is authorized for contract surgeons who served overseas in the Spanish-American War; (*k*) a minimum rating of permanent partial 25 per cent shall be included in the bureau rating schedule for arrested tuberculosis; and (*l*) all contracts of insurance issued by the Government are incontestable from date of issuance except for fraud, nonpayment of premiums, or on the ground that the applicant was not a member of the military or naval forces. The plea of estoppel formerly interposed by the Government in certain cases is also eliminated.

Public, No. 536 (71st Cong.), approved July 3, 1930, authorized the President to consolidate and coordinate Government activities affecting war veterans. The Government agencies affected by this legislation were the Bureau of Pensions, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and the United States Veterans' Bureau. On July 21, 1930, the President issued an Executive order authorizing the consolidation of these agencies into an independent establishment known as the Veterans' Administration.

The President approved on February 6, 1931, Public, No. 612 (71st Cong.), an act making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and for prior fiscal years, to provide urgent supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and for other purposes. Of significance to the Veterans' Administration in this act was the appropriation of \$36,250,000 for the payment of military and naval compensation accruing during the fiscal year 1931, or in prior fiscal years, and the appropriation of \$19,500,000 for Army and Navy pensions.

Public, No. 720 (71st Cong.), passed on February 23, 1931, included an appropriation of \$866,012,732 for the regular activities of the Veterans' Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30,

1932. Included in the foregoing amount, however, were \$7,950,000, the unappropriated balance of the authorization for new hospital construction approved December 23, 1929, and \$3,400,000 for new construction authorized at certain soldiers' homes prior to the consolidation of veterans' activities.

The Congress on February 27, 1931, passed, over the necessary two-thirds vote, Public, No. 743 (71st Cong.), an act to increase the loan basis of adjusted service certificates. This act, among other things, provides that the loan basis on adjusted service certificates shall at no time be less than 50 per cent of the face value of the certificate after such certificate has been in effect two years, and in no event shall the rate of interest on any loan exceed 4½ per cent per annum, compounded annually.

There was enacted on March 2, 1931, Public, No. 781 (71st Cong.), an act for the retirement of employees of the Panama Railroad Co., on the Isthmus of Panama, who are citizens of the United States.

The President approved on March 4, 1931, Public, No. 869 (71st Cong.), an act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and prior fiscal years, to provide supplemental appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1931, and June 30, 1932, and for other purposes. For the Veterans' Administration the principal appropriations carried in this act were \$18,150,000 for military and naval compensation, Veterans' Bureau; \$4,000,000 for medical and hospital services, Veterans' Bureau; and \$2,000,000 for administrative, medical, hospital, and domiciliary services, Veterans' Administration. This latter amount was for the purpose of administering the act of February 27, 1931.

There was enacted on March 4, 1931, Public, No. 868 (71st Cong.), an act to authorize an appropriation of \$20,877,000 to provide additional hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities for persons entitled to hospitalization under the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, and for other purposes. In addition, this act authorized the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, with the approval of the President, to use all or any part of the money authorized to be appropriated by the provisions of Public, Nos. 230, 405, and 492 for extending the facilities of the national homes designated therein or at any other national home or hospital under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration, all of which acts were passed prior to the consolidation of veterans' activities; and also permanently transferred from the War Department to the Veterans' Administration the property used as a veterans' hospital at Whipple, Ariz.

On March 4, 1931, there was approved Public Resolution No. 138 (71st Cong.), which appropriated \$5,000,000 of the amount authorized to be appropriated for new hospital and domiciliary construction by Public, No. 868 (71st Cong.), approved the same date.

REGIONAL OFFICES

The Veterans' Administration maintains regional office facilities at 54 locations throughout the United States, 2 in the State of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Missouri, California, and Texas; 1 in the District of Columbia; and 1 in each of the other States except Dela-

ware. These field agencies are what might be termed outposts of the central office and were established in order to serve directly claimants and beneficiaries distributed throughout the United States. These officers are responsible for the preparation and adjudication of claims for compensation and disability allowance; the physical examination of veterans of all wars applying for benefits; provision of medical, surgical, and dental treatment, including hospitalization when required for observation or treatment, aftercare, nursing follow up, and social service, and the furnishing of orthopedic and prosthetic appliances; certification as to legality of appointment and fitness of fiduciaries as well as other matters affecting beneficiaries under legal disabilities; and the handling of insurance activities and matters pertaining to loans on adjusted-service certificates. They also assist in the preparation of claims for pensions, and in the admission of beneficiaries to national soldiers' homes.

On June 30, 1931, the regional office facilities of 11 States had been consolidated with hospitals and soldiers' homes. Ten of these were at veterans' hospitals located as follows: Portland, Oreg.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Fargo, N. Dak.; Fort Harrison, Mont.; Boise, Idaho; Hines, Ill.; Atlanta, Ga.; Newington, Conn.; Lyons, N. J.; and Lincoln, Nebr., and the other at the soldiers' home, Milwaukee, Wis. This centralization of field activities within States had proven satisfactory, and it is proposed to provide these joint facilities at a number of the new hospitals to be erected under the construction acts of December 23, 1929, and March 4, 1931. This arrangement not only in most instances permits the evacuation of leased space with a consequent saving in rentals which for regional offices now approximate \$680,000 per annum, but avoid also the necessity for duplicating within a State the medical facilities required for the examination and observation of beneficiaries. In addition, it permits beneficiaries to obtain medical care and treatment at the same point where application is made for all other benefits.

On June 30, 1931, there were 301,649 active compensation disability awards on file in all regional offices, as compared with 278,269 at the close of the previous year. As of the same date there were 130,830 terminated awards, 429,947 disallowed claims, and 26,807 pending cases, making a combined compensation case load of 889,233, or 64,568 in excess of the number on record June 30, 1930.

During this year the out-patient clinics of the regional offices furnished a total of 829,040 treatments and made 1,933,698 examinations. The treatments during this fiscal period were approximately 42,000, and the examinations 983,446, greater than in 1930. The increase in examinations, which incidentally was slightly more than the total made in 1930, was due almost entirely to the examination of applicants for disability allowance, as provided by the amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act. The examinations made during this year for hospitalization totaled 210,635, for pension cases 67,873, and for domiciliary care in national homes 1,947.

The applications filed in regional offices for disability allowance to June 30, 1931, totaled 534,736, of which 235,694 had been allowed. As of the same date the active awards totaled 229,019, while 92,295 applications were pending adjudication.

The guardianship load of the Veterans' Administration on June 30, 1931, consisted of 68,327 wards under legal disability, of which number 27,802 were classed as incompetent, and 40,525 as minors. The above total represents an increase of 7,369 over the number on June 30, 1930. There were 60,650 fiduciaries, of which number 50,011 were guardians of incompetents and minors, 6,948 were legal custodians of incompetents and minors, and 3,691 were cases in which institutions (hospitals) were administering funds on behalf of hospitalized Veterans' Administration wards.

HOSPITALIZATION UNDER THE WORLD WAR VETERANS' ACT OF 1924, AS AMENDED

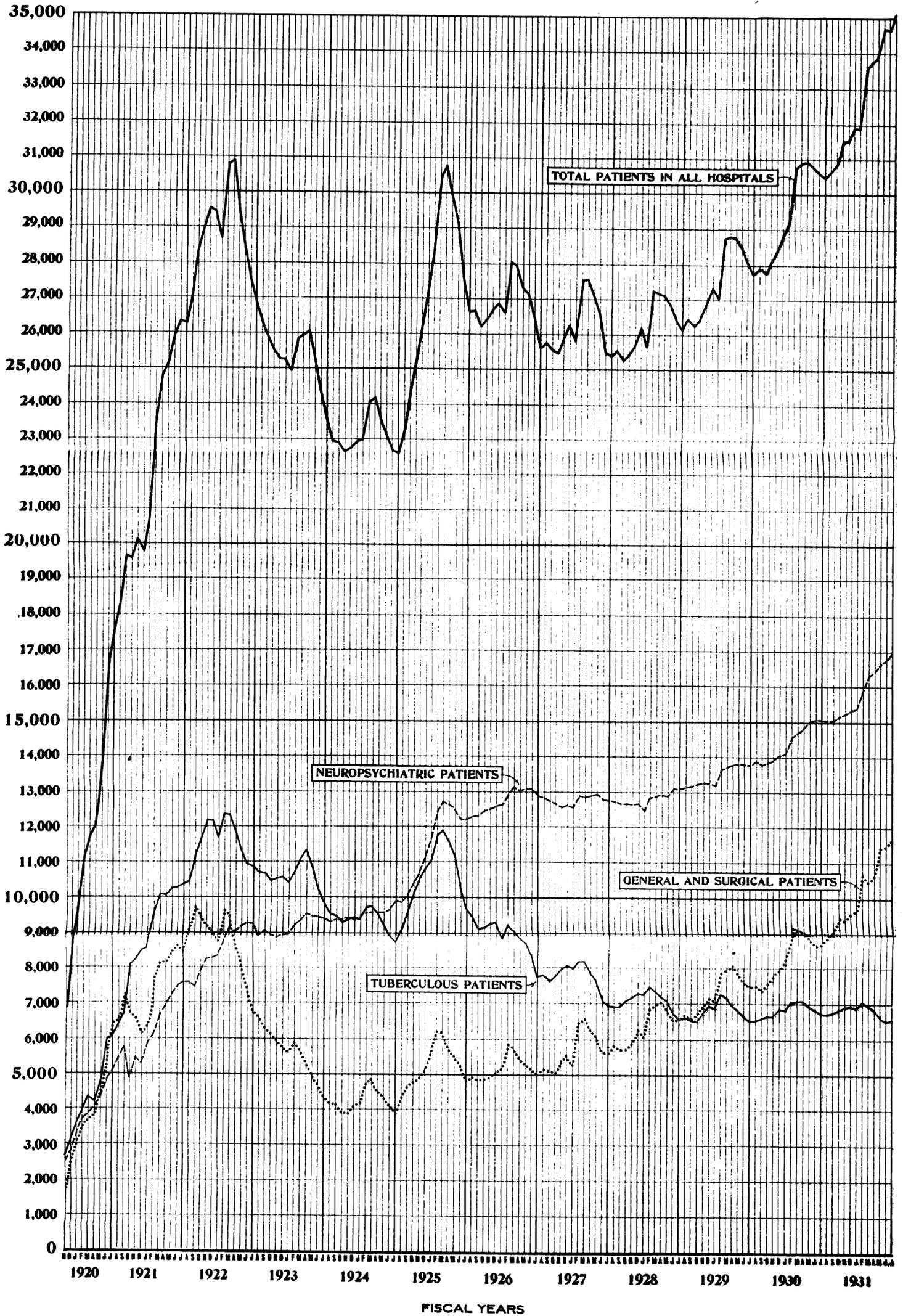
Remaining under treatment.—At the expiration of this year there were under treatment and observation in all hospitals 35,139 patients whose admission had been authorized under authority contained in the World War veterans' act of 1924 as amended. This represents an increase of 4,598 patients, or 15 per cent, over the number on June 30, 1930, and exceeds by 4,360 cases the peak load reached in March, 1922, during the 11-year period from March, 1919, to March, 1930. The hospital population on June 30, 1931, consisted of 29,302 veterans of the World War and 1,837 other patients, of whom 1,386 were veterans of the Spanish-American War, 261 veterans of other wars, 116 veterans of countries allied with the United States during the World War, and 75 miscellaneous beneficiaries. Veterans of the World War comprised 95 per cent of the total hospital load on June 30, 1931, and of these 15,701, or 47 per cent, were receiving treatment for service-connected diseases; 17,321, or 52 per cent, for nonservice-connected diseases, while 280 were being examined or observed for disability allowance rating purposes. The percentage of World War veterans under treatment for disease or injury determined to be of service origin decreased during this year, while the number of such veterans under treatment for nonservice-connected diseases or injuries increased 4,690, or 37 per cent, since June, 1930.

There has been a marked change in the character of the hospital population since the former peak load of March, 1922, when all diseases treated were service connected. At that time 40 per cent of the patients were tubercular, 29 per cent neuropsychiatric, and 31 per cent general, whereas at the close of this year 18 per cent were being hospitalized for tuberculosis, 49 per cent for neuropsychiatric diseases, and 33 per cent for general conditions. This change is even more marked if the comparison is made with the patients under treatment for service-connected diseases and conditions on June 30, 1931, when 72 per cent were neuropsychiatric, 16 per cent tubercular, and 12 per cent general. It is to be expected that the number and percentage of cases in both the tubercular and general groups will continue to decrease as we get further from the period of the World War, first because of the comparatively high death rate among pulmonary tuberculous patients combined with the number of cases reaching a state of arrest and consequent discharge from hospitals and second, because increasing numbers of general medical conditions due to war service have reached a stationary level and can derive no further benefit from hospitalization.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

Actual Number of Patients Remaining in All Hospitals

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On the other hand, the low death rate among patients with neuropsychiatric diseases and the greater need which comes with advancing years for more or less continuous hospitalization combines to increase the hospital load of this type.

At the close of this year there were 294 female patients under treatment, an increase of 50 over June 30, 1930. Approximately 21 per cent of these patients were being hospitalized for tuberculosis, 39 per cent for neuropsychiatric diseases, and 40 per cent for general conditions. A total of 149, or 51 per cent, of these patients were receiving treatment for diseases or conditions determined to be of service origin.

Colored veterans on the same date numbered 2,431, an increase of 345 over the number one year ago. The hospital load for this class of veteran constitutes approximately 7 per cent of the total. The colored hospital group affords a contrast with the white males with regard to the types of disease treated in that while pulmonary tuberculosis is represented to be approximately the same percentage of both groups, 44 per cent of the white males are under treatment for neuropsychiatric diseases and 33 per cent for general conditions as compared with 31 per cent and 46 per cent respectively for colored veterans.

Constantly increasing hospital accommodations of the Veterans' Administration enable a greater number of veterans to receive care and treatment in Government facilities. Of the veteran population under treatment at the close of this year, 74 per cent were in facilities under the control and jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration; 20 per cent were in other Government hospitals, and but 6 per cent were in State and civil institutions. Approximately 60 per cent of the patients in State and civil institutions are suffering from neuropsychiatric diseases.

During this year a marked increase occurred in the number and percentage of veterans hospitalized in the State of their reported permanent home address. At the close of this year 63 per cent of all patients were being hospitalized in their home State as compared with 58 per cent for the corresponding date of last year. In addition, there were a good many patients under treatment in hospitals which although located in adjoining States were nevertheless closer to their homes than the facilities located within their own home State. The tuberculous group with only 54 per cent hospitalized in the State of their reported home address has the lowest of the three types, due principally to the general belief among patients of this type that certain climatic conditions are beneficial to the treatment of tuberculosis. Approximately 61 per cent of the neuropsychiatric and 70 per cent of the general patients were being hospitalized within their home State at the close of this year.

Veterans hospitalized for the treatment of nonservice-connected diseases as authorized under section 202 (10) and remaining under treatment at the close of this year numbered 18,967, or 54 per cent of the total hospital load. The following table shows the increase in hospitalization under section 202 (10) classified as to the disability for which such hospitalization was authorized for patients under treatment at the close of each year beginning with 1925.

Fiscal year	Pulmonary tuberculosis			Neuropsychiatric			General			Total		
	All cases	202 (10) cases	Per cent of 202 (10) cases	All cases	202 (10) cases	Per cent of 202 (10) cases	All cases	202 (10) cases	Per cent of 202 (10) cases	All cases	202 (10) cases	Per cent of 202 (10) cases
1925	9,314	898	9.64	11,906	1,155	9.70	5,391	1,786	33.13	24,610	3,889	14.46
1926	7,308	1,196	16.37	12,290	1,287	11.35	5,367	2,429	45.09	24,915	5,013	20.12
1927	6,658	2,046	30.73	12,538	1,732	13.81	6,114	3,030	49.57	25,310	7,408	29.27
1928	6,045	2,532	41.89	12,839	2,211	17.29	7,015	3,885	55.40	25,989	9,628	37.18
1929	6,121	2,943	48.08	13,461	2,034	15.11	7,905	5,046	63.83	27,487	11,323	41.20
1930	6,274	3,219	51.31	14,941	3,842	25.71	9,066	7,031	77.30	30,314	14,054	46.37
1931	6,193	3,697	59.70	17,001	5,545	32.62	11,754	9,728	82.74	34,945	18,987	54.34
* 1932										37,373	22,718	60.82

* Including cases hospitalized under Home Act.

It will be noted from the above table that in 1925, one year after the passage of this legislation, patients with nonservice-connected disabilities formed but 14 per cent of the hospital load as compared with 54 per cent at the close of 1931. To-day we find that while the total tuberculous load has decreased 34 per cent, the nonservice-connected cases of that type are approximately four times as great as they were in 1925 and while the general cases have doubled within six years, the number of nonservice-connected cases of that type are more than five times as great as they were in 1925.

Admissions.—Since 1919 when hospital care and treatment were first authorized for veterans of the World War, there have been 992,336 hospital admissions, of which 109,649 were made during this fiscal year. The latter figure represents an increase of 17,534, or 19 per cent, over the fiscal year 1930, and approximately 71 per cent over the number for 1924.

Since June 7, 1924, when hospitalization was first authorized for the veterans of all wars without regard to the origin of their disabilities, 324,205, or approximately 56 per cent of all admissions, have been of the nonservice-connected class. Of the total admissions during this fiscal year 82,850, or 76 per cent, were for the treatment of nonservice-connected disabilities, as compared with 13,243, or 17 per cent in 1925, the year following the passage of this amendatory legislation. The first sentence of section 202 (10) of the World War veterans' act of 1924, as amended, authorized the hospitalization of honorably discharged veterans of certain specified wars who are suffering from tuberculosis, neuropsychiatric diseases, and certain named general conditions regardless of the origin of such disabilities, while the second sentence authorized the hospitalization, in so far as existing facilities permit, of veterans of any war not dishonorably discharged, without regard to the nature or origin of the disability. During the first year following the passage of this legislation, the number of veterans admitted to hospitals under the first sentence of said section formed 47 per cent of the total admissions for nonservice-connected conditions. Subsequent to that time the number and percentage of these cases have decreased annually until in 1931 they formed but 21 per cent of the total admissions of this class. The general medical and surgical cases admitted to hospitals under the second sentence of said section have increased rapidly and during this year formed approximately 79 per cent of the admissions for disabilities not determined to be of service origin.

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Of the 102,226 World War veterans admitted to hospitals during this year, 24,618, or 22 per cent, required treatment for disease or injury acquired in service; 75,427, or 68 per cent, for disabilities not traceable to war service; while 2,181, or 2 per cent were admitted for examination or observation for disability allowance rating purposes. The admissions of veterans of other wars totaled 7,423, of which 6,311 were for Spanish-American War veterans. In addition, the Veterans' Administration authorized the hospital treatment of 460 veterans of countries allied with the United States in the World War and 326 miscellaneous beneficiaries, such as United States Employees' Compensation Commission, United States Civil Service Commission, etc.

Because it is the general belief that a number of veterans admitted to hospitals for treatment of disease and injury not due to service have a coexisting service-connected disability, an effort has been made during the past three years to further classify the type of admission to determine in what percentage of cases a service-connected disease also existed. During this year it was found that while a service-connected disease was coexistent in approximately 13 per cent of the nonservice-connected cases admitted for treatment, the former was, or was capable of being, aggravated by the non-service-connected disease in only 6 per cent of the cases.

A further analysis of the hospital admissions during this year discloses that 11,185 patients were admitted for treatment or observation of pulmonary tuberculosis; 6,123 for psychotic or mental diseases; 10,542 for other neuropsychiatric diseases; and 81,799 for general medical and surgical conditions. The admissions for the treatment of general conditions increased 22 per cent over those for the same type in 1930.

In considering the diseases for which veterans were admitted to hospitals during this year, it was found that the three most important in point of numbers were those of the digestive system, diseases of the ear, nose, and throat, and pulmonary tuberculosis. The same order is true of first admissions, while in readmissions pulmonary tuberculosis is second in importance. Comparatively few first admissions are made for the treatment of incipient pulmonary tuberculosis. In 41 per cent of the pulmonary tuberculosis cases admitted for the first time, the disease was in the active far-advanced stage when the veteran applied for hospitalization, and in 21 per cent of the cases the disease had reached a moderately advanced stage.

Of the total of 109,649 admissions of veterans during this year 58,894, or 54 per cent, were made to hospital facilities under the control of the Veterans' Administration; 25,490, or 23 per cent, to naval hospitals; 12,093, or 11 per cent, to Army hospitals; 7,966, or 7 per cent, to Marine hospitals; and 5,206, or 5 per cent, to State and civil institutions and to hospitals in Washington, D. C., operated by the Interior Department. It is significant to mention that during this fiscal year only 4.7 per cent of the total admissions were made to civil and State institutions while in 1920 and 1924 these figures were approximately 45 per cent and 19 per cent, respectively.

Of the 108,793 male patients admitted to hospitals during this fiscal year 101,268, or 93 per cent, were white and 7,525, or 7 per cent, were colored. Approximately 97 per cent, or 7,283, of the col-

ored veterans were admitted to Government facilities, and of these 919, or 12 per cent, were treated in the veterans' hospital at Tuskegee, Ala., which is operated exclusively for the care of colored veterans. The majority of the admissions of colored veterans were made for the treatment of general medical and surgical conditions.

Admissions of female patients during this year numbered 856, which represents an increase of 21 per cent over 1930. Approximately 74 per cent of these patients were admitted for the treatment of general conditions and 17 per cent for neuropsychiatric diseases. The female patients admitted to civil and State institutions during this year represent approximately 54 per cent of the total and those to veterans' hospitals 29 per cent.

Patients admitted to hospitals for the first time during this year numbered 60,687, or 55 per cent, of the total admissions while 46,792, or 43 per cent, were readmissions and 2,170, or 2 per cent, were admitted by transfer from other hospitals.

Yearly turnover.—During the fiscal year 1931, the patient turnover in all types of veterans' hospitals was slightly in excess of once every four months, as compared with once every six months in 1930. This decrease in the average period of hospitalization was due to the large increase during this year in general medical and surgical patients who required but comparatively short hospital episodes. Based upon the experience of this year, hospitals devoted principally to the treatment of neuropsychiatric diseases have a complete patient turnover once every two and one-half years. The relatively low turnover rate experienced for this type of case is due to the long and continuous hospital treatment usually required and a low mortality rate. During this fiscal year, the turnover rate for hospitals utilized primarily for the treatment of tuberculosis was in excess of once every seven months. The attainment of a low rate of turnover is highly desirable among the tuberculosis veterans, inasmuch as arrest of this disease is seldom obtained in less than one year of intensive care, treatment, and exercise. The turnover rate in hospitals of this type is influenced to a large extent by the restless moving of the tuberculous patient from one hospital to another, or from one climate to another, or because of becoming irked at long hospital periods, necessary rules and restrictions, he leaves without permission or against medical advice. When patients of this type voluntarily terminate their hospital episodes by leaving without permission or against medical advice, they, in most instances, negate the good results of the treatment already obtained. The turnover rate for this year in hospitals treating a majority of general medical and surgical patients was approximately once every one and one-half months. This rate was more than four times greater than the turnover in tubercular, and twenty times greater than that in neuropsychiatric hospitals.

Discharges.—Approximately 140,000 patients received hospital treatment during this year, of whom 105,159 were discharged after an average of 84.1 days' hospitalization. This average was somewhat higher than that for 1930 due to the increased number of discharges among the tuberculous and neuropsychiatric or long-term patients. The largest group, 55,526 patients, or 53 per cent of the total, was discharged after treatment in facilities of the Veterans'

Administration; 24,743, or 24 per cent, from naval hospitals; and 12,072, or 11 per cent, from Army hospitals. Marine hospitals treated and discharged 7,758 patients during this year, State and civil institutions under contract, 4,966 and hospitals under the control of the Interior Department, 94.

Of the 105,159 patients discharged during this year, 88,374, or 84 per cent, remained under treatment until maximum benefit was attained and formal discharge was made. The 16,785 incomplete hospital episodes include 12,897 cases in which treatment was interrupted by discharges for personal reasons or because the patient left the hospital without permission and failed to return, and 3,888 cases which required further treatment in another hospital or out-patient office. A study of the reasons for discharge of these incomplete cases shows that 6,034, or approximately 6 per cent, of the total discharged during the year were terminated after an average period of 126.8 days because the patient left without permission, while 5,703, or 5 per cent, left the hospital after 94 days' hospitalization against medical advice. Approximately 1 per cent of the total discharges were for disciplinary reasons, and in the majority of these cases the patient was suffering from diseases or conditions of the general type.

An indication of the desirability of remaining in hospitals until the completion of treatment is found in a study of the incomplete and complete cases by results of treatment. Of the complete cases, patients were discharged as cured in 7,497, or 8½ per cent, of the cases, while only approximately one-half of 1 per cent of the incomplete group were reported as apparently cured. While 63 per cent of the complete cases were improved, only 42 per cent of the incomplete were reported as having derived some benefit from hospitalization at the time the patient voluntarily terminated his hospitalization or was discharged from further treatment.

Approximately 4 per cent of the patients remaining until maximum benefit has been derived from hospitalization are discharged unimproved, while, as is to be expected, 30 per cent of the incomplete are of this class. The average period of hospitalization and the results of treatment of these two types of discharges are presented for comparison in the statistical tables published in this report. The group of completed cases contains 16,545 cases in which the condition on discharge was not stated. These represent patients discharged after observation, special examination, or the completion of adjunct or emergency treatment.

Discharges after treatment for pulmonary tuberculosis numbered 11,439, or 11 per cent, of the total discharges. Of this group 5,728, or 50 per cent, remained until the completion of the hospital episode and showed as a result, a state of complete arrest of the disease in 482 cases, apparent arrest in 79 cases, and quiescence in 88 cases. In addition there were 775 cases sufficiently improved to be discharged, making a total of 1,424, or 12 per cent, of the pulmonary tuberculous cases in which either arrest or improvement was shown. In these 1,424 cases the disease had reached the moderately advanced stage in 513 patients and the far advanced in 485 patients. The discharged cases of pulmonary tuberculosis deriving no benefit from hospitalization numbered 2,464, or 22 per cent, of the total, the majority of these having reached the far-advanced stage. Death

terminated hospitalization in 1,902 cases, or approximately 17 per cent of the total discharges for pulmonary tuberculosis. In addition there were 93 cases discharged as terminal with unfavorable prognosis.

During this fiscal year 14,952 patients were discharged from hospitals after receiving treatment for neuropsychiatric disabilities, approximately 30 per cent of whom had been hospitalized for a definite psychotic condition. The majority, or 80 per cent, of the neuropsychiatric patients discharged remained until the completion of the hospital episode and as a consequence 6,653, or 56 per cent, of these were reported improved or cured at the time of discharge. The largest groups were treated for a psychoneurosis or a neurosis. The principal psychosis among discharged patients was dementia praecox, 2,036 patients suffering from this type of mental disease. However, approximately 59 per cent of these failed to complete the necessary treatment. There were 109 deaths from miscellaneous causes among dementia praecox patients. The majority of the 180 deaths among general paralytic patients was caused by the disease for which the patient was receiving treatment. The largest number of psychotic cases reported cured was found among the alcoholic type, which latter formed nearly one-third of the total neuropsychiatric cases discharged.

Among the general medical and surgical patients, discharges numbered 78,768 during 1931, an increase of 20 per cent over 1930. Of the discharges after maximum benefit had been received from hospitalization, 7,342, or 10 per cent, were reported as recovered; 48,054, or 68 per cent, as improved; and 4 per cent had died. General medical and surgical patients treated in hospitals are further classified for statistical purposes as to the general type of disease under treatment. Nearly 21 per cent of all general patients discharged were treated primarily for diseases of the digestive system and of these approximately 12 per cent were reported as recovered or cured, 71 per cent as improved, and 2 per cent as unimproved. Diseases of the ear, nose, and throat totaled 11,301, or 14 per cent, of the general discharges, with tonsillitis mainly responsible for the large number of cases in this group. The next most important group were diseases of the circulatory system including heart disease; diseases of the joints, including arthritis and rheumatism; and respiratory diseases, such as pleurisy, bronchitis, and asthma. As would be expected the highest percentage of recoveries reported and the lowest percentage of hospitalizations terminated by death were found among patients who received treatment for general diseases. But approximately 10 per cent of such patients left the hospital before treatment was completed, as compared with 50 per cent of the tuberculosis and 20 per cent of the neuropsychiatric patients.

Deaths of patients in hospitals have been further classified by the second revision of the International List of Causes of Death and a comparison made of the number reported each year for the past six years. An analysis of the 5,209 deaths during this year shows that although the number has nearly doubled since 1925, the percentage in proportion to the total discharges is the lowest since 1927. An analysis of deaths by cause during 1931 indicates that deaths from general diseases as classified by the International Code have decreased from 70.48 per cent of the total in 1925 to 52.66 per cent

in 1931. Tuberculosis of the lungs, while still the major cause of death among hospitalized veterans, apparently reached its peak in 1926, when there were 1,850 such deaths. Since then the number of deaths from this cause has gradually decreased and in 1931 totaled 1,547. Cancer and malignant tumors show the most marked increase of any general cause under the above classification, having advanced from 92 deaths in 1925 to 460 in 1931, and forming 9 per cent of all deaths during this year. While the percentage of deaths from general diseases on the whole has decreased, it has increased for practically all other diseases or conditions with the exception of diseases of the nervous system and external causes. Although the percentage of the total deaths caused by diseases of the nervous system has decreased, the number has increased, the most important being that of general paralysis of the insane which caused 150 deaths in hospitals during this year. The percentage of deaths caused by diseases of the circulatory system and the genito-urinary tract has more than doubled since 1925, the outstanding causes in these groups being organic heart disease, disease of the arteries, and Bright's disease. Diseases of the digestive and of the respiratory system caused approximately 8 per cent of the deaths in 1925 and 15 per cent during 1931. Of the latter group pneumonia and broncho-pneumonia caused 356 deaths during 1931. While deaths from external causes such as accidents, suicide, homicide, etc., show an increase in number, they nevertheless form only 1 per cent of the total.

An analysis of the total discharges also serves to further emphasize the importance and the growing problem of hospitalization of veterans for treatment of nonservice-connected diseases or conditions. These patients formed 74 per cent of all discharges and 79 per cent of the deaths in hospitals during 1931. Because of the fact that the majority, or 83 per cent, of these patients represent general or short-term cases, the average period of hospitalization was 58 days as compared with 84.1 for all patients. Of the total nonservice-connected cases discharged during this year, approximately 77 per cent either recovered or improved. Approximately 86 per cent remained until the completion of the hospital episode, 3 per cent were transferred to other hospitals, and the remaining 11 per cent were discharged for personal reasons.

During the fiscal year 803 women patients were discharged from hospitals after an average period of stay of 81 days. Of this total 94 had been under treatment for pulmonary tuberculosis, 16 for psychotic diseases, 97 for other neuropsychiatric diseases, and 596 for general diseases or conditions. Recovery was reported in 9 per cent and improvement in 65 per cent of the female patients discharged. Death terminated hospitalization in 38 cases, and of this number 12 were under treatment for pulmonary tuberculosis, 4 for cancer or malignant tumor, and 4 for a disease of the circulatory system.

Approximately 57,749 surgical operations were performed on patients discharged during this fiscal year of which 29,781, or 52 per cent, were performed in veterans' hospitals as compared with 44 per cent in 1930. Naval hospitals performed 11,169 operations, Army hospitals 7,460, marine hospitals 6,338, national homes 1,753, and

civil institutions 1,240. It must be understood that the numbers quoted do not represent individual patients, as certain types of operations are performed in a series, that is, a number of the same kind on the same patient within a given period. Such operations as artificial pneumothorax, arsphenamine, and nearsphenamine injections, incision and drainage are often performed many times on the same patient.

GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL FACILITIES

On June 30, 1931, there were in operation 54 veterans' hospitals with a combined capacity of 26,307 beds as compared with 47 hospitals and 22,732 beds on June 30, 1930. In other words, there was a net increase of 7 hospitals and 3,575 beds during this fiscal period. As to type, the foregoing increase in beds was about equally divided between facilities for neuropsychiatric and for general medical and surgical cases. With the exception of the hospital under lease at Kansas City, Mo., the land and buildings at all veterans' hospitals are owned by the Federal Government.

Five newly constructed hospitals were opened during this year, namely, Lyons, N. J., 430 beds; Coatesville, Pa., 483 beds; Lincoln, Nebr., 197 beds; Newington, Conn., 249 beds; and Lexington, Ky., 249 beds. The hospitals at Atlanta, Ga., and Excelsior Springs, Mo., both of which were closed temporarily last year to permit of enlargement, were reopened this year. The new construction accomplished at Atlanta increased the capacity from 85 to 200 beds, and at Excelsior Springs from 125 to 301 beds. Additional beds were made available through new construction during this year at Hines, Ill., Fort Lyon, Colo., North Chicago, Ill., and Bedford, Mass.

In addition to the beds in veterans' hospitals there was on June 30, 1931, a total of 9,732 beds available to beneficiaries of the Veterans' Administration in other Government hospitals, distributed as follows: United States Army, 2,265; national homes, 2,252; United States Navy, 3,794; United States Public Health Service, 1,039; and Interior Department, 382. In all Government hospitals on June 30, 1931, there was a total of 36,039 beds available to the Veterans' Administration as compared with 31,525 at the beginning of this fiscal year. The 2,252 beds shown above for the national homes, now a part of the Veterans' Administration, are not the total hospital accommodations available at all branches, namely, 7,362 beds, but represent those utilized for patients admitted direct from the outside as distinguished from those reserved for members on the rolls of the various homes.

Beginning with the act of March 3, 1919, the first legislation providing funds for the acquisition of hospital facilities for World War veterans, the Congress has to date authorized under eight general acts the sum of \$113,327,000 for new hospital, domiciliary, and outpatient facilities, of which \$97,450,000 had been appropriated to June 30, 1931. In addition, the Congress has over the same period authorized by special acts, i. e., those covering single projects, the sum of \$9,425,000 for new domiciliary and hospital construction at soldiers' homes. Further, there has been expended since 1928 over \$14,000,000 from regular fiscal funds for permanent improvements and extensions to veterans' hospitals.

FUTURE HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

At the close of this fiscal year construction work was in progress on the following major projects: (a) 65 additional beds at Washington, D. C.; (b) 146 new beds at Perry Point, Md., to replace existing unsuitable facilities; (c) 98 additional beds at Tucson, Ariz.; (d) 146 additional beds at Knoxville, Iowa; (e) 138 additional beds at Augusta, Ga.; (f) 138 additional beds at Gulfport, Miss.; (g) 120 additional beds at Memphis, Tenn.; (h) 138 additional beds at Camp Custer, Mich.; (i) 448 additional beds at Northport, Long Island, N. Y.; (j) 465 additional beds at Lyons, N. J.; (k) 152-bed hospital at Indianapolis, Ind.; (l) 308-bed hospital at Waco, Tex.; (m) 273-bed hospital at Tuscaloosa, Ala.; (n) 468-bed hospital at Canandaigua, N. Y.; (o) 262-bed hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex.; and (p) 103-bed hospital at Salt Lake City, Utah.

The contract dates of completion of the construction on the above projects are as follows: Washington, D. C., August 28, 1931; Perry Point, Md., September 14, 1931; Tucson, Ariz., December 23, 1931; Knoxville, Iowa, July 27, 1931; Augusta, Ga., July 29, 1931; Gulfport, Miss., December 20, 1931; Memphis, Tenn., October 12, 1931; Camp Custer, Mich., September 2, 1931; Northport, Long Island, N. Y., September 16, 1931; Lyons, N. J., August 29, 1931; Indianapolis, Ind., November 17, 1931; Waco, Tex., March 24, 1932; Tuscaloosa, Ala., June 10, 1932; Canandaigua, N. Y., March 11, 1932; Albuquerque, N. Mex., May 17, 1932; Salt Lake City, Utah, June 10, 1932.

All of the foregoing work except that at Washington, D. C. (act of May 23, 1928), is being accomplished out of the \$15,950,000 authorization for new hospital construction approved December 23, 1929. The main projects still to be placed under contract under this authority, as now determined, are new hospitals at Huntington, W. Va., and San Francisco, Calif., certain changes in buildings at the Bronx, N. Y., and a clinical building at North Little Rock, Ark. Upon completion of the scheduled program under this authority the Veterans' Administration will have acquired over 4,100 beds, divided about equally between new hospitals and additions to existing facilities.

On March 4, 1931, there was enacted Public No. 868 (71st Cong.), an act to authorize an appropriation to provide additional hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient facilities for persons entitled to hospitalization under the World War veterans' act of 1924, as amended. This act authorized the sum of \$20,877,000, of which amount \$5,000,000 was appropriated by Public Resolution No. 138 (71st Cong.), approved March 4, 1931. Unlike prior legislation on this subject, no report of the Congress containing its recommendations as to the locations where the funds should be expended accompanied the act, full responsibility for the expenditure of the entire authorization being vested in the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, subject to the approval of the President. The approved program under this authority through June 30, 1931, is as follows: (a) nurses' quarters at Sunmount, N. Y.; (b) hospital at Columbia, S. C.; (c) additional beds at Huntington, W. Va.; (d) infirmary building and central heating plant at Helena, Mont.; (e) tiling main kitchen, warehouse, etc., at Rutland Heights, Mass.; (f) additional domiciliary beds at Milwaukee, Wis.; (g) infirmary building at Boise,

Idaho; (*h*) additional beds at Chillicothe, Ohio; (*i*) kitchen and mess building at Walla Walla, Wash.; (*j*) recreation building and staff quarters at Newington, Conn.; (*k*) additional beds at Aspinwall, Pa.; (*l*) hospital at Wichita, Kans.; (*m*) recreation building and staff quarters at Lexington, Ky.; (*n*) additional beds at Augusta, Ga.; (*o*) recreation building and staff quarters at Lincoln, Nebr.; (*p*) new hospital beds to replace existing facilities at Danville, Ill.; (*q*) nurses' quarters at Indianapolis, Ind.; (*r*) additional hospital beds at Sawtelle, Calif.; (*s*) new hospital beds to replace existing facilities at Leavenworth, Kans.; (*t*) additional beds at American Lake, Wash.; and (*u*) administration building at Portland, Oreg. The program as above outlined provides for the erection of facilities for 3,024 hospital and 350 domiciliary beds at an estimated expenditure of \$8,157,000, leaving an unallocated balance of \$12,720,000 under this authority. It is expected that approximately 6,000 new hospital beds will be acquired under this act, divided about equally between facilities for neuropsychiatric diseases and for general medical and surgical conditions.

The extent to which additional hospital construction beyond that authorized by the act of March 4, 1931, will be required by the Veterans' Administration is wholly dependent upon the degree to which the Congress decides to provide Government hospital accommodations for the veterans of all wars, regardless of the origin of their disability. The hospital load for veterans with disabilities not determined to be of service origin has gradually but consistently increased until it now forms over 50 per cent of the total. In other words, of some 35,000 patients remaining in hospitals on June 30, 1931, whose admission thereto was authorized by the Veterans' Administration, but approximately 16,000 were being treated for service-connected conditions. Upon completion of the construction authorized by the act of March 4, 1931, there will be available in Government hospitals, exclusive of the beds normally required for members in the national soldiers' homes, a total of over 45,000 beds, or a number sufficient to accommodate both the estimated service-connected and nonservice-connected loads through the year 1935. Beyond this, studies indicate that the Government hospital facilities thus far authorized will have to be materially increased if veterans with nonservice-connected conditions are given a mandatory right to hospitalization.

THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF VETERANS' HOSPITALS

In addition to the new construction, remodeling, and alterations which provided increased facilities for patients, the following development program was accomplished or placed under contract at veterans' hospitals during this year: (1) Porches on five ward buildings, additional ground lighting and personnel garages at Palo Alto, Calif.; (2) additional well and new garage building at Alexandria, La.; (3) additional water supply at Perry Point, Md.; (4) grounds sprinkling system, glazing porches, and personnel garages at Tucson, Ariz.; (5) deep well at Boise, Idaho; (6) underground steam lines at Oteen, N. C.; (7) coal-storage space, porches on patients' buildings, and pulverized fuel equipment at Augusta, Ga.;

(8) major alterations to building No. 6 for quarters at Lake City, Fla.; (9) fire-alarm system at Helena, Mont.; (10) sewage-disposal plant at Gulfport, Miss.; (11) additional laundry boiler, additional oil-storage tank, inclosing porches and major alterations and improvements to buildings at Hines, Ill.; (12) extension of gas heating mains and refrigerating unit at North Little Rock, Ark.; (13) sewage-disposal plant, gas-fuel installation, personnel garages, and inclosing porches at Fort Lyon, Colo.; (14) recreation building and connecting corridor, personnel garages and porches on ward buildings at Sheridan, Wyo.; (15) incinerator at Rutland, Mass.; (16) water softener at Muskogee, Okla.; (17) extensive general repairs and remodeling ward buildings at Tuskegee, Ala.; (18) road construction and personnel garages at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.; (19) addition to recreation building and personnel garages at American Lake, Wash.; (20) new mess facilities at Northampton, Mass.; (21) personnel garages at Sunmount, N. Y.; (22) addition to garage and laundry at Chillicothe, Ohio; (23) tile and wood garages at Castle Point, N. Y.; (24) new deep well and personnel garages at Livermore, Calif.; (25) personnel garages at San Fernando, Calif.; (26) reservation fence at Bedford, Mass.; (27) occupational therapy building reservoir and garages at Northport, Long Island, N. Y.; (28) garage and storage house and wire fence with wrought-iron gates at Fargo, N. Dak.; (29) service road at Lyons, N. J., and (30) inclosing porches at Coatesville, Pa.

The completion of the above work is in line with the policy of the administration to develop eventually complete and modern operating plants at those hospitals which are likely to continue in operation for an indefinite period.

During this year 5,270 maintenance and repair requests to a value of \$3,777,393.73 were received from field stations, covering new construction and supplies for maintenance, repairs, and minor alterations to buildings, mechanical equipment, and the upkeep of grounds.

EXPENDITURES AND OPERATING COSTS AT VETERANS' HOSPITALS

The gross expenditures at all hospitals during this year totaled \$38,154,349.20 while the net operating expenses amounted to \$30,414,020.30. The amount shown for net operating expenses does not include expenditures for new construction, nonexpendable equipment, or those for the diagnostic center at Palo Alto, Calif. Throughout this fiscal year there was a daily average of 2,160 more patients of all types under treatment than for the preceding year. The net per diem rate for all hospitals was \$3.72, a decrease of 12 cents over last year.

The cost of operating hospitals used principally for tuberculous patients decreased \$96,955.32 during this as compared with last year. These hospitals cared for a daily average of 142 more patients than in 1930 while the per diem cost of operation was \$5.19, or 21 cents, less than last year. An increase of \$193,260.30 in operating expenses over last year was reported for hospitals of the neuropsychiatric type, due to the fact that a daily average of 636 more patients was hospitalized. This group of hospitals had a per

diem cost of \$2.69, or 12 cents less than last year. The cost of operating hospitals of the general medical and surgical type increased \$1,422,530.28 over last year due largely to the fact that a daily average of 964 more cases were under treatment this year. The per diem cost of operation for this group was \$4.49, a decrease of 9 cents over last year. The comparison made above for the different types includes only those hospitals which were in operation throughout the entire year.

During this fiscal year a comparison was made of the cost of operating 45 Veterans' Administration hospitals, 43 Federal, State, county, and city hospitals, and 18 private and diagnostic hospitals. As a result, it was determined that the gross per diem cost for all types of Veterans' Administration hospitals is higher than that of the group consisting of the Federal, State, county, and city hospitals, but lower than that of the private and diagnostic hospitals. In comparing the different types for the three groups, however, it was found that for Veterans' Administration hospitals the net per diem cost in the general medical and surgical type is lower than that of the other two groups; that for the tuberculous type it is higher than that of the State, county, and city hospitals as well as private sanatoria; and that for the neuropsychiatric type, it is higher than that of the State and city hospitals, but lower than that in private and diagnostic institutions.

DIAGNOSTIC CENTERS

Diagnostic centers were established to provide the facilities and staffs of specialists of outstanding reputation, appointed in a consultant capacity, for the reference of problem cases for treatment or determination for adjudication, in which there may have been in the past, or is at the time of reference, a difference of professional opinion in regard to diagnosis or appropriate treatment. These centers make the final diagnoses in cases which have been the subject of medical controversy.

Since the opening of the diagnostic center at Hines, Ill., in December, 1930, four such centers have been in operation. The territory allocated to each is as follows: Washington, D. C., eastern and southeastern United States; Palo Alto, Calif., Western States, including the Pacific Coast and southern Texas; Cincinnati, Ohio, and Hines, Ill., the East and West Central States, respectively.

During this fiscal year 2,814 patients were admitted to these centers as follows: 1,638 to Washington; 598 to Cincinnati; 354 to Palo Alto; and, in the six months of its existence, 224 to Hines. Of the total patients admitted, 769, or 27 per cent, had no previous hospitalization by the Veterans' Administration, while 2,045, or 73 per cent, had been hospitalized one or more times previously. Comparatively few pulmonary tuberculosis patients are referred to the centers as evidenced by the fact that during this fiscal year only 185, or less than 7 per cent, of diagnostic center admissions were of this type, while 1,058, or 38 per cent, were neuropsychiatric, and 1,571, or 56 per cent, were general cases. Discharges were made in proportion to admissions and on June 30, 1931, the combined patient population totaled 260. Of this number, 3 were colored and 2 were female beneficiaries.

In comparing the average period of hospitalization in the centers it is found that Washington, D. C., shows 33.5 days, Palo Alto 27.4, Hines 25.7, and Cincinnati 12.6. The comparatively high average period of hospitalization in the center at Washington is partly the result of the administration of special treatment in conjunction with observation and examination in some of the more difficult medical and surgical cases.

In order to measure the degree of success attained in the operation of these centers, periodic studies have been made by a statistical follow up of discharged patients. These studies indicate that with the superior observational advantages and clinical equipment at these centers, it has been possible to establish more clearly the identity of conditions or diseases which have been the subject of medical controversy.

While diagnostic centers have nothing to do directly with the rating of disabilities, their findings are considered by rating boards to be of greater weight than all preexisting reports from other sources upon the medical questions involved. The results are often reflected in commensurate changes in the compensation awards to veterans concerned.

OUT-PATIENT RELIEF

Out-patient supervision and treatment of beneficiaries within the continental limits of the United States were provided during this year through the 54 regional office facilities located in all of the States except Delaware; through medical treatment stations, located in smaller centers of population; through the services of designated examiners, located in remoter communities not readily accessible to the regional offices; and through the facilities established at a number of veterans' hospitals. In addition, contact with sick veterans in their homes is maintained through periodical visits of follow-up nurses and social workers.

In extending relief to beneficiaries resident in the insular and Territorial possessions of the United States, the administration operates clinics in conjunction with its offices established at Manila, P. I., San Juan, P. R., and Honolulu, Hawaii. Medical care and treatment of beneficiaries living in the Panama Canal Zone is supplied through the Governor of the Panama Canal and in Guam and the Virgin Islands through the Navy Department. In foreign countries the matter of obtaining suitable medical care is handled by the Department of State through its Foreign Service officers.

The total number of physical examinations in regional offices during this fiscal year was 1,933,698, an increase of 983,446 over the preceding year. Of this number 1,895,918 were medical and 37,780 dental; 1,593,994, or 84.1 per cent, of the medical examinations and 32,217, or 85.3 per cent, of the dental examinations were made by physicians on a salary basis. Treatments administered through regional offices totaled 829,040 as compared with 786,599 for last year. Of this number 742,060 were medical and 86,980 dental. Medical and dental treatments rendered by physicians on a salary basis totaled 568,666 and 65,747, respectively, and represented 76.6 and 75.6 per cent of the total treatments. As of June 30, 1931, there were 16,182 beneficiaries under the supervision of the follow-up nurses.

These nurses also made a total of 57,121 home visits during this fiscal period.

The increase in physical examinations, which incidentally was slightly more than the total made in 1930, was due almost entirely to the examination of applicants for disability allowance, as provided by the amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act.

DENTAL RELIEF

Dental relief rendered beneficiaries during this year showed a marked increase over that furnished during prior recent years. This increase was due principally but indirectly to the amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act which provided a disability allowance to veterans of the World War. While this legislation in itself had no direct connection with the provision of dental relief, it resulted in the filing of applications for such allowance by many veterans who had never before applied for any form of Government relief. Upon investigation, it was found that a good many of these veterans were entitled to other benefits including dental relief which were granted immediately upon application therefor.

The value of dental services rendered in clinics during this year computed on a fee basis was \$1,196,244.08, of which \$908,956.85 was furnished by hospital clinics and \$287,287.23 by out-patient clinics attached to regional offices, as compared with a total of \$1,014,914.66 for last year. The actual cost of furnishing this relief was \$543,640.10 in hospitals and \$153,575.85 in regional offices or a total of \$697,215.95, thereby resulting in a net saving of \$499,028.13 through the operation of Government clinics.

The estimated value of dental services to hospital beneficiaries under section 202 (10) of the World War veterans' act as auxiliary to the treatment of nonservice-connected disabilities increased from \$354,922.48, or 49 per cent, of all hospital dental treatment in 1930 to \$477,193.91, or 52.5 per cent, in the fiscal year 1931. The actual cost of rendering this service in 1931 was \$285,411.50.

While the gross amount of treatment and the cost of treatment in Government clinics increased materially, the number of cases treated and the number of cases completed also increased from 24,273 and 20,774, respectively, in 1930 to 29,491 and 25,406, respectively, in 1931, so that the cost per patient was reduced from \$25.93 in 1930 to \$23.64 in 1931, a reduction of \$2.29 per case.

Not only did the dental service in clinics increase but authorizations for treatment by private practitioners in those cases in which it was more economical to furnish relief in this manner also increased from 4,780 cases at a cost of \$204,732.50 in the fiscal year 1930 to 6,359 cases at a cost of \$286,443.15 in the fiscal year 1931.

A central dental laboratory was established at Hines, Ill., which began to take cases September 1, 1930, but was not in full operation until October 1, 1930. This laboratory cares for the construction of dentures from 9 regional office clinics and 15 hospital clinics within overnight mail service from Chicago. During the period October 1, 1930, to June 30, 1931, the laboratory constructed 1,593 dentures of various types as compared to 1,445 dentures constructed at the 24 stations mentioned above during a similar period in the

previous fiscal year. The laboratory employs 1 senior dental mechanic and 7 dental mechanics with an annual salary roll of \$17,300 as compared to 10 mechanics previously employed at 9 of the stations at an annual salary roll of \$21,100. The establishment of this laboratory also obviated the employment of a dental mechanic at a salary of \$2,000 per annum, at three new hospitals. The establishment of this laboratory has also reduced the cost for labor of dental mechanics from \$14.38 to \$6.85 per denture.

ORTHOPEDIC AND PROSTHETIC RELIEF

During this year the total expenditure involved in furnishing orthopedic and prosthetic appliances to 28,266 beneficiaries amounted to \$330,312.63. This represents an increase over the preceding year of 2,388 in the number of claimants and \$33,086.82 in expenditures. Approximately three-fourths of this additional cost was due to an increase of 1,318 in the number of claimants furnished this relief under the amendment of July 2, 1926, to section 202 (10) of the World War veterans' act of 1924. During this year a total of 3,688 claimants were furnished this service for nonservice-connected disabilities under the amendment of July 2, 1926.

In general the same policies that have obtained in rendering this type of relief to beneficiaries during previous years have been continued. Transportation for claimants in securing appliances has been reduced to a minimum by executing contracts with commercial firms advantageously located throughout the country. Considerable travel is obviated through a working arrangement with contractors from whom special appliances are purchased to have measurements and diagrams made by a competent representative at the claimant's home. Claimants as a rule are required to do little traveling except in cases in which an appliance of unusual construction and fit is needed.

During this year the orthopedic shops operated by the Veterans' Administration at Boston, Mass., New York, N. Y., Washington, D. C., Atlanta, Ga., Chicago, Ill., and Muskogee, Okla., have shown a combined saving of \$27,578.99 over what the work accomplished would have cost at contract rates. The estimated saving for this year represents an increase of \$12,308.51 over that for 1930.

On November 4, 1930, an Executive order was issued transferring from the War Department to the Veterans' Administration the provision of orthopedic appliances for veterans injured prior to April 6, 1917, or subsequent to July 1, 1921.

DOMICILIARY CARE

At the close of this fiscal year the ex-service population present in the national homes totaled 19,264, divided as to color and sex as follows: White males, 17,062; white females, 42; and colored males, 2,160. Of this total, 12,204 were in barracks and 7,060 in hospital facilities. The whole number cared for during this year was 63,879, an increase of 2,975 over 1930. On November 30, 1930, the ex-service population actually present totaled 23,419, the highest recorded load in the history of the national homes. The average age of the veterans of each of the major wars who were receiving

domiciliary or hospital care on June 30, 1931, was as follows: Civil, 84.24; Spanish-American, 57.45; and World, 38.22. There were 1,876 deaths in the national homes during 1931 as compared with 1,936 for the fiscal year 1930.

In connection with the utilization of the national homes since their establishment in 1866, it develops that there was a gradual increase in population until 1906 when the peak was reached for Civil War veterans. Then followed a steady decrease until 1922 when the relatively large increase in World War veterans more than offset the marked decrease in the Civil War load. As early as February, 1925, less than seven years after the armistice, the World War veteran population in the homes represented approximately one-third of the total, the percentage distribution at that time for each of the three major wars being as follows: Civil, 34.4; Spanish-American, 34.7; and World, 30.9. Since then the changes in the population accredited to each war have been very marked as will be noted from the percentage distribution on June 30, 1931: Civil, 6.7; Spanish-American, 25.6; and World, 67.7.

On June 30, 1931, there were 15,458 beds available for domiciliary cases in the national homes, an increase of 1,002 over the corresponding date of last year. Practically all of this increase was at Sawtelle, Calif., where newly constructed barrack buildings were opened, and at Bath, N. Y., where certain existing facilities which had not been used since that institution was taken over from the State of New York were reconditioned, and made available for the reception of members.

During this year the hospital beds in the national homes increased from 6,960 to 7,362. Most of this increase was at Danville, Ill., where a convalescent barrack building was made available for hospital use, while at Marion, Ind., a small unit with facilities for 75 beds was constructed and opened for patients. The construction of a new hospital unit to replace existing facilities at Dayton, Ohio, was also completed during this year, but not opened for patients.

With regard to new construction to be accomplished at national homes, the approved program under existing authorizations is as follows: (a) New home at St. Petersburg, Fla.; (b) new home at Biloxi, Miss.; (c) new home at Roseburg, Oreg.; (d) 350 additional barrack beds at Milwaukee, Wis.; (e) 100 additional hospital beds at Johnson City, Tenn.; (f) 300 additional hospital beds at Sawtelle, Calif.; (g) 275 new hospital beds to replace existing facilities at Togue, Me; (h) 300 new hospital beds to replace existing facilities at Danville, Ill.; and (i) 660 new hospital beds to replace existing facilities at Leavenworth, Kans. It has been determined that the existing hospital facilities to be evacuated upon completion of the new units at Danville and Leavenworth are capable of being used for domiciliary cases and will provide at least as many barrack beds as are now available for the hospital cases. The transfer of the tuberculous hospital load from Johnson City, Tenn., to the veterans' hospital at Oteen, N. C., and the use of the facilities thus evacuated for domiciliary cases will also result in an increase of about 350 barrack beds at the former location. Approved plans further provide for the erection of a domiciliary unit at the veterans' hospital for colored at Tuskegee, Ala. A further increase in the bed capacities of the

national homes will result through a check now under way of the space allowance per bed and adjusting it on a basis consistent with the comfort and preservation of the health of members.

The extent to which additional domiciliary construction will be required to meet future demands can not be determined with any degree of accuracy at this time, as the admission rate of World War veterans to the national homes thus far experienced is greater in proportion to the number that served than that recorded for the veterans of the Civil and Spanish-American Wars within a similar period after the close of the latter wars. This much is certain, however, that regardless of the future demands for both domiciliary and hospital beds, the recent consolidation of the national homes and veterans' hospitals will insure the greatest possible utilization of both types of facilities, with a consequent material saving in construction and operating costs. Already approved plans provide for the erection of a domiciliary unit at the veterans' hospital, Tuskegee, Ala., while the new hospital facilities authorized for the national home at Leavenworth, Kans., will be of sufficient size to not only provide for the established ratio of hospital to domiciliary beds, but also permit the hospitalization of a considerable number of patients from the outside. In view of the fact that other veterans' hospitals are equally as suitable in whole or in part for the use of domiciliary cases as is Tuskegee, further combinations of this character will unquestionably result as the need warrants. It is also true that there are patients in veterans' hospitals suffering from conditions which have reached a stationary level and who as a result are no longer in need of intensive medical treatment. The transfer of these cases to domiciliary facilities will result in material savings, in that both the per diem rate for patients and the cost of constructing facilities for their care are considerably higher than similar costs for domiciliary cases.

INSURANCE

At the close of the fiscal year there were 645,964 Government life (converted) insurance policies in force, aggregating \$3,023,938,351 of insurance.

The decentralization of the granting of loans on Government life insurance policies was accomplished early in the fiscal year and this facility is now in successful operation in all the regional offices handling insurance accounts. The extension of this activity to the field stations, supplementing the insurance work previously decentralized, has enabled the Veterans' Administration to conduct the insurance business with a standard of service comparable with that of the leading life insurance companies.

Consolidation of certain insurance activities was accomplished in central office and procedures affecting field and central office operations have been coordinated and perfected. This has resulted in improved service and in meeting more effectively the particular needs of Government life insurance policyholders, and is in accord with the general program to make the insurance facilities as convenient and accessible as efficient administration will allow.

A new dividend schedule was adopted for the year 1931, providing for an increase in the amount of dividends payable on all Govern-

ment life insurance policies, except the 5-year convertible term plan, on which the dividend was reduced compared with the dividend paid in 1930 by reason of a less favorable mortality experience. There has been apportioned for this purpose \$8,200,000, representing an increase of \$900,000 over the dividend allotment for the year 1930. This is the highest dividend return ever authorized and evidences the policy of passing on to policyholders the benefit of favorable conditions.

APPLICATIONS FOR UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE (CONVERTED) INSURANCE

Applications for United States Government life insurance, approved during the fiscal year totaled 17,582, aggregating \$79,317,006, compared with 16,404 applications amounting to \$70,584,363 approved during the fiscal year 1930. The total applications approved to June 30, 1931, is 859,453, amounting to \$3,837,703,153 insurance.

The following table shows the number and amount of United States Government life insurance policies issued by months for the fiscal year 1931:

Policies issued

Date		Number	Amount	Date		Number	Amount
1930				1931			
July	1,302	\$6,227,334	January	1,091	\$4,828,536		
August	1,765	7,083,658	February	1,231	5,445,801		
September	1,360	6,434,783	March	1,487	6,868,344		
October	1,394	6,203,686	April	2,009	8,985,102		
November	1,223	5,387,314	May	1,833	7,494,324		
December	1,030	4,466,122	June	1,857	9,002,000		
			Total	17,582	79,317,006		

ANALYSIS BY PLAN OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE

The following table shows the number and amount, the percentage and the average amounts of United States Government life insurance policies issued to June 30, 1931, classified by plan.

Plan	To date		Per cent of total		Average policy
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	
Ordinary life	180,268	\$922,051,574	20.97	24.02	\$5,114.89
20-payment life	211,514	898,078,069	24.61	28.40	4,248.95
30-payment life	33,845	171,033,534	3.94	4.46	5,058.82
20-year endowment	218,090	579,396,485	25.37	15.10	2,658.69
30-year endowment	43,192	182,246,290	5.03	4.75	4,219.45
Endowment at age 62	41,649	199,907,432	4.85	5.21	4,790.81
5-year convertible term	130,895	884,969,409	15.23	23.06	6,791.00
Total	859,453	3,837,703,153	100.00	100.00	4,465.29

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE (CONVERTED) INSURANCE IN FORCE

At the close of the fiscal year June 30, 1931, there were in force 645,964 United States Government life insurance policies amounting to \$3,023,938,351 insurance. During the fiscal year 3,572 policies, amounting to \$16,852,425 insurance, were reinstated.

**UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE (TERM AND CONVERTED) INSURANCE
IN FORCE**

The following table shows by fiscal years the number and amount of yearly renewable term and United States Government life insurance in force:

Fiscal year ended June 30—	Yearly renewable term insurance		United States Govern- ment life insurance		Total	
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
1921.....	397,890	\$2,950,660,235	253,164	\$868,715,500	651,054	\$3,849,375,735
1922.....	300,926	2,314,663,588	280,852	1,033,736,886	581,778	3,348,400,474
1923.....	240,291	1,854,145,796	319,774	1,216,064,021	560,065	3,070,209,817
1924.....	209,385	1,609,030,534	353,215	1,375,542,924	562,600	2,984,573,458
1925.....	177,328	1,372,091,391	375,012	1,492,937,338	552,340	2,865,028,729
1926.....	150,103	1,008,511,344	423,557	1,773,075,664	573,660	2,781,587,008
1927.....	87,100	672,074,816	500,880	2,220,969,824	587,980	2,893,044,640
1928.....	266	1,654,277	660,108	3,111,994,905	660,374	3,113,649,182
1929.....	229	1,342,290	649,837	3,058,577,039	650,066	3,059,919,329
1930.....	204	1,142,314	648,044	3,041,601,101	648,248	3,042,743,416
1931.....	91	506,276	645,964	3,023,938,351	646,055	3,024,444,627

**UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES SURRENDERED
FOR CASH AND PAID-UP INSURANCE**

United States Government life insurance policies provide that after having been in force one year they may be surrendered for cash or for paid-up insurance. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1931, there were 5,927 policies, representing \$21,366,021.70 insurance, surrendered for cash. The total number of policies surrendered for cash through June 30, 1931, is 55,181, representing \$172,643,216.03 insurance.

During the current fiscal year policies having a total face amount of \$1,295,000 were surrendered for paid-up insurance; while 241 policies, having a total face amount of \$246,956.35 paid-up insurance were issued. Through June 30, 1931, policies having a total face amount of \$4,571,824 have been surrendered for paid-up insurance, and 879 policies having a total face amount of \$907,247.87 paid-up insurance have been issued.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUM INCOME

United States Government life insurance premiums are deposited to the credit of the United States Government life insurance fund from which are paid claims on account of total permanent disability and death, dividends, and refunds. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1931, premiums amounting to \$69,201,022.64 were received on United States Government life insurance policies. The amount of United States Government life insurance premiums received to date totals \$541,929,577.93.

DIVIDENDS PAID ON UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE

The fund from which dividends on United States Government life insurance are apportioned is accumulated from two sources—savings due to deferred mortality and excess interest on the amount earned on invested funds over the assumed rate of 3½ per cent. There were

600,886 dividends amounting to \$7,423,642.94 paid during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1931. The total dividends paid to date are 4,518,934 amounting to \$39,705,773.48.

YEARLY RENEWABLE TERM INSURANCE

Yearly renewable term insurance, except in a few cases, terminated by operation of law July 2, 1927.

However, the number and amount of insurance awards under yearly renewable term insurance on account of permanent total disability and death has increased over the average of the several years immediately preceding, principally because of the amendments to sections 19 extending the time for filing suits and 307 of the act which authorizes suits on yearly renewable term insurance after conversion. A large number of cases that were barred by the statute were rendered active as a result of these amendments.

Most of the suits on insurance are based on claims for permanent total disability benefits from date of discharge from the service. In the majority of such suits, the insurance lapsed at discharge and no claim for benefits had been filed until the elapse of several years subsequent to the discontinuance of the insurance. Legal defenses to the insurance contracts have been waived by amendatory legislation and the question involved in litigation is one of fact. Because of the remoteness of the date of discharge and the present date of trials, facts to establish a defense are difficult to obtain and present to the tribunal considering the issue.

When the law authorizing yearly renewable term insurance for those in the service was approved it was anticipated that the premiums received would not be sufficient to cover the losses under such insurance and the result shows this to be true. The liability incurred by the United States on account of permanent total disability and death under yearly renewable term insurance exceeds the amount of premiums received on this form of insurance by more than \$1,000,000,000.

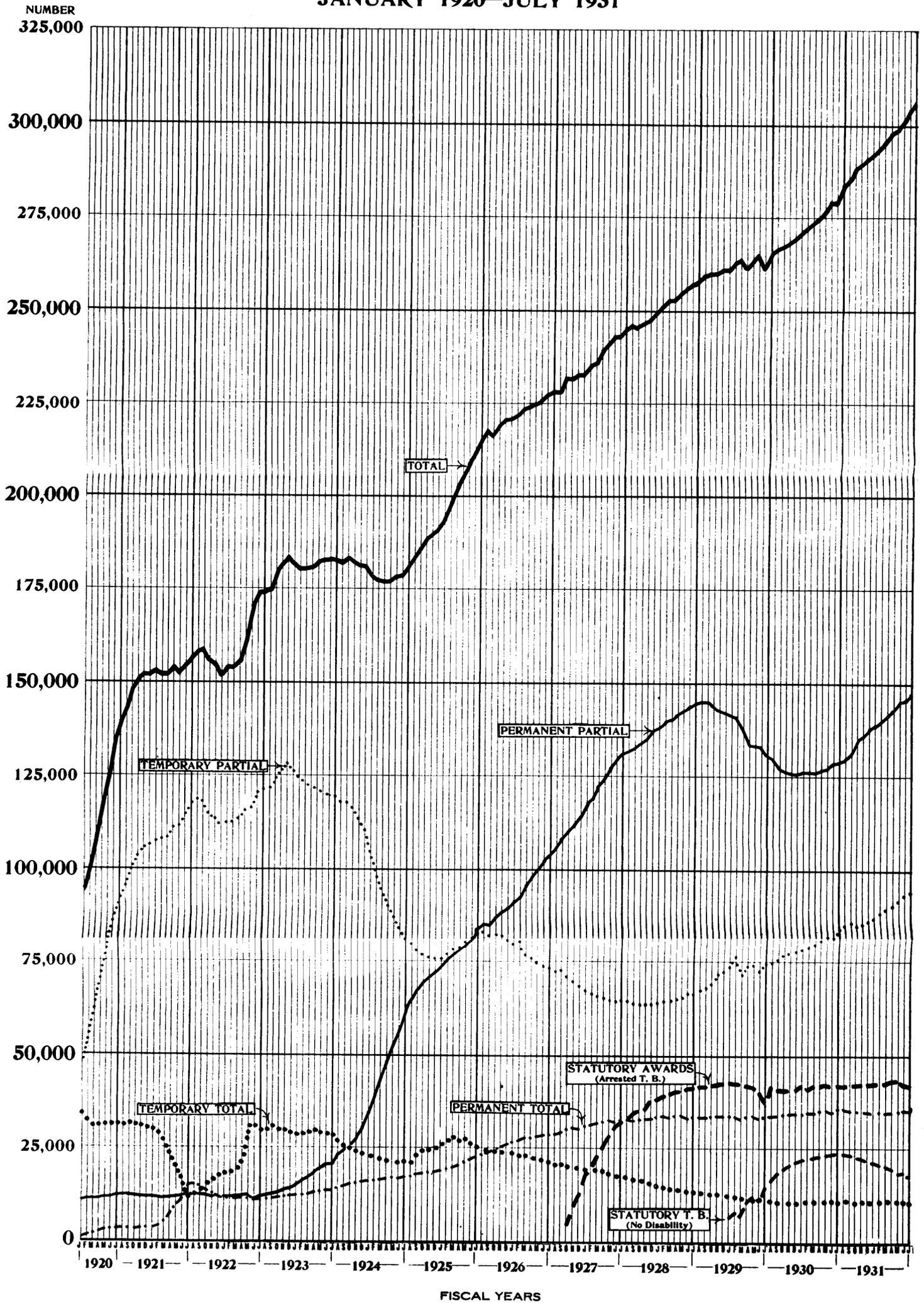
DISABILITY AND DEATH COMPENSATION

During this fiscal year payments of compensation to disabled veterans of the World War and to the widows, children, and dependent parents of deceased veterans of that war totaled approximately \$213,423,000. This is an increase of approximately \$25,391,000 over the amount disbursed in the fiscal year 1930. These payments were made to veterans whose disabilities were directly or presumptively connected with service and to the dependents of deceased veterans who died as a result of disabilities or injuries incurred in service.

At the close of this fiscal year there were 299,288 veterans receiving disability compensation. This represents an increase of 19,749 in the number on the roll June 30, 1930, and is due principally to the fact that a relatively large number of veterans who heretofore were ignorant of their rights filed claim for compensation for the first time. A total of 64,788 new claims were received during this year. A considerable number of veterans who made application for disability allowance, as provided by the amendment of July 3, 1930,

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to the World War veterans' act, were found upon investigation to be entitled to disability compensation for service-connected disabilities and were so rated. It is also true that in a number of cases claims which had previously been disallowed were awarded after the submission of additional evidence establishing service connection.

An analysis of the major disabilities for which veterans are receiving compensation discloses that 59,739, or 20 per cent of the total, are suffering from tuberculosis; 62,430, or 21 per cent, from neuropsychiatric diseases; and 177,119, or 59 per cent, from general medical or surgical conditions. In the latter group the disabilities from which the greatest number of veterans are suffering, listed in the order of their numerical importance, are residuals of wounds in action, arthritis, bronchitis, valvular heart disease, and otitis media.

The average monthly value of all compensation awards on June 30, 1931, was \$44.38. This average has remained fairly constant for the past five years, ranging from a low of \$39.51 in June, 1926, to a high of \$45.12 in June, 1927. The general medical and surgical group receives the lowest average monthly payment of \$34.35 while only 6 per cent of this group are rated totally disabled. The neuropsychiatric group is paid an average of \$55.86 while 34 per cent are rated totally disabled. The average for the neuropsychiatric group would be higher but for the fact that compensation has been reduced to \$20 per month in 3,909 cases in which insane veterans without dependents have been hospitalized by the administration for a period of six months or more. The tuberculous group has the highest average of the three types, \$62.12. This is due principally to the fact that a statutory award of \$50 is provided for arrested cases which form 66 per cent of the total of said group. The amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act also provides for a minimum rating of 25 per cent permanent partial for arrested tuberculosis whereas in the other groups 39 per cent of the active awards are rated less than 25 per cent. Approximately 23 per cent of all tuberculous cases are rated totally disabled.

On June 30, 1931, there were 47,203 veterans receiving awards for arrested tuberculosis of which number 42,815 were receiving statutory awards of \$50 per month; 2,965 were being paid the \$25 minimum allowance provided by the act of July 3, 1930, because there has been no activity in the disease during or since service; and 1,423 who, while entitled to the statutory award, were receiving larger awards because of other disabilities.

The number of cases on June 30, 1931, rated permanent total, 34,531, is practically the same as that at the close of the last fiscal year, although the percentage of these to the total active awards decreased from 12.37 per cent in June, 1930, to 11.54 per cent in June of this year. Of the cases rated permanent and total 52 per cent are for neuropsychiatric diseases, 28 per cent for tuberculosis, and 20 per cent for general medical or surgical conditions.

Because of the favorable climatic conditions in the southwestern part of the United States, an appreciable number of totally disabled veterans from other States have moved their residence to or are hospitalized in that region. For example, the regional office of the Veterans' Administration at Phoenix, Ariz., with only 1 per cent of the total active case load has 11 per cent of the permanent

total tuberculous awards. In that office, payments are being made to 3,178 disabled veterans and 1,258, or 40 per cent, of these are rated permanently and totally disabled, whereas for the country as a whole but 12 per cent of the total compensable cases are so rated. This fact accounts for the proportionately high average monthly payment of \$71.81 in the Phoenix office. Similarly, the regional office at Albuquerque, N. Mex., with only 1 per cent of the total active case load has 3 per cent of all the permanent total cases, while 32 per cent of the cases in that office are rated permanent and total.

On June 30, 1931, there were 115 veterans receiving compensation for double permanent total disability, classified by type of disease as follows: General medical and surgical, 66; neuropsychiatric, 42; and tuberculosis, 7.

An additional allowance for nurse or attendant is being paid to 3,207 veterans, whereas at the close of last year but 2,715 veterans were receiving this added sum. The removal of the word "constant" from section 202, paragraph 5, of the World War veterans' act resulted in approximately 492 awards for nurse allowance. In 11,654 cases insurance installments are also being paid to permanently and totally disabled veterans.

On June 30, 1931, there were 2,643 disabled female veterans in receipt of compensation, classified as follows: Army nurses, 2,190; Navy nurses, 111; yeowomen, 826; marinettes, 3; and other women, 13. This represents an increase of 207 in the number receiving compensation on June 30, 1930. A total of 616, or approximately 23 per cent of the number receiving compensation are rated totally disabled.

When the disability for which compensation is payable is rated on a temporary basis an additional allowance is authorized for wives, children, and dependent parents. At the close of this year there were 76,552 cases of this kind in which an additional allowance was being paid for 70,742 wives, 129,136 children, and 6,951 parents.

New York has the largest number of compensable veterans, with 24,862 as compared with 21,149 in California, 20,107 in Pennsylvania, 16,552 in Ohio, 15,741 in Illinois, and 14,250 in Massachusetts. Compensation is being paid to 2,975 veterans residing outside the continental limits of the United States. The largest groups are Philippine Islands (616), Italy (526), Porto Rico (467), and Canada (266).

An analysis of the effective date of the first award in each case shows that 71 per cent of all compensable veterans were in receipt of compensation prior to January 1, 1922. The average age of disabled World War veterans is 38 years, the greatest number falling in the following age groups: 30 to 34 years, 52,836, or 18 per cent; 35 to 39 years, 147,257, or 49 per cent; 40 to 44 years, 71,427, or 24 per cent. Only 2 per cent are under 30 years and 7 per cent are 45 years or over.

The amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act provides for the payment of \$25 a month independent of any other compensation, for the loss of use of a creative organ or one or more hands or feet, as a result of service, between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918. Payments are being made to 3,405 veterans for

the loss of a hand or foot and to 429 for the loss of a creative organ. This amendment also established a minimum rating of 25 per cent permanent partial for arrested tuberculosis and during this year 3,497 such awards were made.

On June 30, 1931, death compensation was being paid to the dependents of 93,334 World War veterans who died in service or as the result of diseases or injuries incurred in service. The dependents receiving this compensation totaled 141,250, divided by classes as follows: Parents 83,707; children, 34,700; and widows, 22,843.

The number of deceased veterans on whose account payments are being made increased 2,380 during this year.

Under the provisions of the amendment of May 29, 1928, to the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, payments of death compensation can be continued beyond the age of 18 years to those children who desire to continue their education, such payments, however, not to continue after the age of 21. As a result of this legislation approximately 1,300 children over 18 years of age are receiving this compensation.

In addition to payments of death compensation, the dependents of 63,659 veterans also receive monthly payments of insurance, these payments averaging \$50.19.

An analysis of the effective date of death compensation awards shows that 49 per cent were made for death occurring prior to July, 1921, the end of the World War period. In 42,654, or 46 per cent, of the cases for which compensation is being paid, death resulted from injuries or diseases incurred overseas; while in 43,642, or 47 per cent, it was the result of diseases contracted in the United States and its possessions. Seventy per cent of all service-connected deaths resulted from diseases and 25 per cent from battle injuries. Considering the cause of death in the cases in which death compensation is being paid to dependents, it is found that 26,956 deaths were caused by tuberculosis, 24,515 by diseases of the respiratory system, 23,192 by wounds received in action, and 4,219 by diseases of the circulatory system.

The dependents of 6,805 deceased veterans reside outside the continental limits of the United States. The largest group resides in Italy, where payments are being made to the dependents of 1,945 deceased veterans. There are 720 in the British Isles, 659 in Poland, 644 in the Philippine Islands, and 527 in Porto Rico.

RETIREMENT OF EMERGENCY OFFICERS OF WORLD WAR

Applications for retirement under the act of May 24, 1928, have been filed by 13,924 officers. Of this number 812 were filed after the time limit prescribed by the act had expired. Retirement with pay has been awarded to 6,773 officers and retirement without pay to 959. Payments have been discontinued in 409 cases in which death occurred after retirement.

On June 30, 1931, retirement payments were being made to 6,364 former officers, while the total amount disbursed for such purpose during this fiscal year was approximately \$11,000,000. The average monthly payment was \$140, which represents an increase of \$88 per

month over the average amount of disability compensation received prior to retirement under this act. In addition to retirement pay, 134 former officers are receiving an allowance for nurse and 939 are being paid insurance for permanent total disability. During this fiscal year 436 officers were retired with pay.

An analysis of the disabilities for which retirement with pay was granted indicates that 15 per cent are suffering from diseases of the nervous system, 12 per cent from tuberculosis, and 11 per cent from diseases of the circulatory system.

The largest number of retired officers reside in California, where there are 802. Other States having large numbers are New York with 484, Illinois with 342, Pennsylvania with 333, and Massachusetts with 324. Payments are being made to 58 officers residing outside the continental limits of the United States, the largest group (22) residing in France.

DISABILITY ALLOWANCE

The amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act provides, among other things, for the payment of a disability allowance to any honorably discharged ex-service man who entered the service prior to November 11, 1918, and served 90 days or more during the World War, and who is suffering from a 25 per cent or more permanent disability not the result of his own willful misconduct, which was not acquired in the service during the World War and for which compensation is not payable, and who was exempt from the payment of income tax for the year previous to that in which application for disability allowance was filed. The authorized monthly rates of pay for the different degrees of disability are as follows: 25 per cent permanent disability, \$12; 50 per cent permanent disability, \$18; 75 per cent permanent disability, \$24; and total permanent disability, \$40.

The number of claims filed for this benefit exceeded in volume all preliminary estimates based upon the experience and records of the former Veterans' Bureau. Through June 30, 1931, a total of 541,943 applications had been filed, of which number 448,441 had been adjudicated. Of the total claims adjudicated 239,073 were allowed and 209,368 were disallowed. The active awards on June 30, 1931, totaled 229,568, while the disbursements for this purpose during this fiscal year approximated \$29,700,000.

It was early realized that the existing facilities in field offices would be insufficient for the expeditious adjudication of these claims concurrently with applications for other benefits. There had to be considered also the urgency of meeting promptly the onrush of applications for loans under the amendment of February 27, 1931, to the World War adjusted compensation act. During this year 2,155 temporary employees were placed on duty in field offices to assist in the adjudication of claims, of which number 1,076 were assigned to the work of handling loans on adjusted-service certificates and 1,079 to the administration of other benefits, particularly disability allowance. By the end of this fiscal year practically all of these temporary employees had been released. In addition, approximately 4,000 designated examining surgeons (pension examiners)

of the former Pension Bureau were made available for examining applicants for disability allowance, while the number of fee-basis medical examiners in the field service of the former Veterans' Bureau increased from 2,598 on June 30, 1930, to 3,505 one year later.

Another step taken to accelerate the adjudication of the disability-allowance cases was the promulgation of instructions to field offices on August 4, 1930, that rating boards for this purpose might be set up where the facilities would permit with two members each, a rating specialist, medical, and either a rating specialist, claims, or a rating specialist, occupational. For disability-compensation purposes a rating board consists of three members—one for each of the three specialties above named.

A study of the length of time claims were pending indicates that 61 per cent were handled within three months after the application was received, while only 17 per cent were pending more than four months. In many cases it was necessary to hospitalize the veteran before the nature and degree of the disability could be determined. At the close of this fiscal year the disposition of claims for this benefit in field offices was practically current, 82.75 per cent of those received having been adjudicated.

An analysis of the 229,568 active awards on June 30, 1931, discloses that 139,692, or 61 per cent, of the total had a permanent disability of 25 per cent degree and were receiving \$12 per month; 55,142, or 24 per cent, a disability of 50 per cent degree and were receiving \$18 per month; 15,437, or 7 per cent, a disability of 75 per cent degree and were receiving \$24 per month; and 19,297, or 8 per cent, were receiving the maximum of \$40 per month by reason of having a total permanent disability. The average monthly payment on June 30, 1931, for the entire group was \$16.60.

A further analysis of the awarded cases reveals that 52 per cent had previously been denied compensation for the reason that in most cases the disability was not considered to be of service origin. In 15 per cent of the awarded cases the veteran had at some time received payments of compensation for service-connected disabilities, most of which were discontinued because the disability was determined to be less than 10 per cent. Only 30 per cent of the total applications were received from veterans who had never made claim for disability compensation.

The principal diseases for which disability allowance is being paid and the per cent each forms of the total awards are as follows: Neuropsychiatric, 15 per cent; joints and hursæ, 14 per cent; circulatory system, 13 per cent; and tuberculosis, 12 per cent. Approximately 37 per cent of the tuberculosis and 25 per cent of the neuropsychiatric cases are receiving the maximum allowance of \$40 per month. The average age of veterans receiving disability allowance payment is 38 years.

Approximately 60 per cent of the cases denied this benefit were disallowed because the disability was less than 25 per cent permanent; 17 per cent were in receipt of disability compensation; and 6 per cent had less than 90 days' service. Only 2 per cent were disallowed because the veteran was not entitled to exemption from the payment of income tax.

PENSIONS

War of 1812.—Although over 116 years have elapsed since the close of the War of 1812, there are yet 8 persons in receipt of pensions on account of service rendered by soldiers in this war—6 widows, 1 remarried widow, and 1 daughter. They are as follows:

Arminia I. Anderson, Cedar Grove, Ga.; husband, Robert Anderson, fifer, Nabor's company, South Carolina Militia.

Marion A. Clark, Iowa City, Iowa; husband, John R. Clark, private, McClellan's company, Massachusetts Militia.

Mary Coleman, route 1, Claudville, Va.; husband, Robert Coleman, private, Davenport's company, Virginia Militia.

Lydia Ann Graham, Brushy Run, W. Va.; husband, Isaac Graham, musician, Bodkin's company, Virginia Militia.

Mary Isgrigg, 588 Delta Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio; husband, Daniel Isgrigg, private, Cullum's company, Ohio Militia.

Carolina King, East Aurora, N. Y.; husband, Darius King, private, Steven's company, New York Militia.

Elizabeth Huron, 2232 Broadway, Indianapolis, Ind.; former widow of Sylvester T. Sibley, private, North's company, New York Militia.

Esther Ann Hill Morgan, Independence, Oreg.; daughter of John Hill, private, Clark's and McCumber's companies, New York Militia.

Each of the above-named persons receives a pension of \$50 per month, and a total of \$5,391 was disbursed for such purpose during this year.

Civil War.—On June 30, 1931, pensions were being paid to 39,426 veterans out of a total of 2,213,365 that served in this war. This represents a reduction of 9,565 in the number of pensioners on June 30, 1930. Of those on the pension roll at the close of this year, 15,554 were in receipt of \$75 per month as authorized by the act of June 9, 1930, while 23,460 were being paid \$100 per month under the same authority, by reason of being helpless or blind or so nearly helpless or blind as to require the regular aid and attendance of another person. The balance of the pension roll consisted of 81 veterans who were in receipt of pensions under general laws for service-connected disabilities and 331 veterans who were beneficiaries of special acts of Congress.

During this fiscal period the disbursements for pensions to veterans totaled \$45,937,870.16, as compared with \$46,068,216.07 for the previous year, a reduction of \$130,345.91. There were 4,712 claims of veterans under consideration during this year, of which 4,542 were disposed of, leaving 170 claims on file June 30, 1931. Practically all of these claims were for increase of pension by reason of such degree of blindness or helplessness as to make necessary the regular aid and attendance of another person. During this year 9,671 veterans died, or about 20 per cent of the number on the roll at the beginning of this year.

On June 30, 1931, there were on the pension roll 153,437 widows and minor children of veterans of this war as compared with 167,674 at the beginning of this fiscal period, a decrease of 14,237. Of the widows on the pension roll at the close of this year 21,442 were in receipt of \$30 per month; 109,459 were being paid \$40 per month

as provided by law for widows of the attained age of 70 years; and 8,796 were receiving \$50 per month as authorized by law for widows who were the wives of soldiers during their service in said war. There were 13,095 widows in receipt of pensions under special acts of Congress.

During this fiscal period the disbursements for pensions to widows and minor children totaled \$76,041,620.30, a decrease of \$3,656,538.73 from the previous year. There were 9,521 claims of widows under consideration during this year, of which 9,118 were disposed of, leaving 403 claims on file June 30, 1931. During this year 17,892 widows died, which represents a little over 11 per cent of the number on the roll at the beginning of this year.

The pension roll for this war discloses that of the self-sacrificing women who volunteered and served as nurses during the war but 23 are receiving pensions. Each of these receives \$50 per month and to them \$14,260 was paid during this year.

The peak in the number of veterans on the pension roll was reached in 1898, when there were 745,822 in receipt of pensions, while the peak in the number of widows on the roll was reached in 1912, when 304,373 were receiving pensions. The grand total of disbursements for pensions on account of this war to June 30, 1931, was \$7,492,455,764.46.

War with Spain.—On June 30, 1931, pensions were being paid to 193,286 veterans of this war as compared with 186,365 on June 30, 1930, an increase of 6,921. Of those on the roll at the close of this year 23,546 were in receipt of \$20 per month; 30,394, \$25 per month; 50,810, \$35 per month; 47,886, \$50 per month; 29,470, \$60 per month; and 2,474, \$72 per month, the latter rate being for such condition of helplessness or blindness as to necessitate the aid and attendance of another person.

Payments during this year to this class of pensioners totaled \$88,752,685.39 as compared with \$71,179,383.82 in the previous year, an increase of \$17,573,301.57. Claims under consideration during this year totaled 211,569, of which 191,531 were disposed of, leaving 20,038 pending at the close of this year. The claims filed by veterans during this year represent an increase of more than 53,000 over the number for last year, due principally to the act of June 2, 1930, providing increased pensions and which made necessary the filing of formal applications for the new rate.

On June 30, 1931, there were on the pension roll 33,437 widows, minor children, and dependents of veterans of this war as compared with 30,919 one year previous, an increase of 2,518. To these beneficiaries \$13,258,678.20 was paid during this year as compared with \$12,381,648.69 in the previous year. During this year 10,269 claims were filed by widows, minor children, and dependents of veterans of this war, of which final action was taken in 4,982 cases, leaving 5,287 pending at the close of this year awaiting receipt of necessary proofs to establish title to pension.

At the close of this year there were 506 nurses of this war on the pension roll and to them was paid \$245,116.37 during this fiscal period.

The total amount disbursed to June 30, 1931, for pensions on account of this war was \$572,755,232.28.

Other classes.—At the expiration of this year there were 21,048 persons receiving pensions on account of disability or death determined to be the result of diseases or injuries originating in line of duty in the military or naval service in time of peace. This represents an increase of 1,557 for the fiscal year 1931. The payments to these pensioners during this year totaled \$5,269,558.41, an increase of \$572,727.03 over last year. Claims considered during the year totaled 19,022, of which number final action was taken in 11,118 cases.

On June 30, 1931, there were 9,662 pensioners on account of Indian war service, and to this class \$4,534,918.47 was paid during this year. This represents an increase of 17 in the number of pensioners on the roll on June 30, 1930, and a decrease of \$20,196.75 in disbursements over last year. Claims filed during this year totaled 2,979, of which final action was taken in 2,395.

At the close of this year there were 547 widows of Mexican War veterans, and to these was paid the sum of \$344,975 during the fiscal year 1931. The foregoing represents a decrease of 83 in the number of pensioners on June 30, 1930, and a reduction of \$49,419.21 in the disbursements for last year.

In addition to the classes of claims hereinbefore mentioned there were considered during this year 4,977 claims for reimbursement of expenses of last sickness and burial of deceased pensioners, of which final settlement was effected in 3,803 cases. A total of 10,975 claims were also considered under the act of March 2, 1895, providing for the payment of the accrued pension due as of the date of death of a pensioner, and of these settlement was made in 6,089 cases. Claims totaling 935 were filed under the law providing for payment to deserted wives and children of soldier pensioners of one-half the pension received by them, of which 472 were disposed of. During this year special acts of Congress required the consideration of 2,601 cases, and in 2,594 of these actions were completed and the beneficiaries placed on the pension roll.

Disbursements.—The disbursements for all pensions during this year totaled \$234,419,721.43, an increase of \$15,216,180.61 over the fiscal year 1930. The estimated amount paid the pensioners of all wars and the Regular Establishment from 1790 to June 30, 1931, is \$8,403,978,194.54.

Special acts of Congress.—The Seventy-first Congress passed 5,987 special acts authorizing the payment of pension or increase of pension to that number of individuals. Since March 4, 1861, the Congress has granted pension or increase of pension by special acts in 82,810 cases. On June 30, 1931, there were 16,020 persons in receipt of pension by special legislation as compared with 15,135 on June 30, 1930. The annual value of the pensions paid to this class at the close of this year was \$7,065,160.

TERM AND AUTOMATIC INSURANCE CLAIMS

On June 30, 1931, monthly installments of term insurance were being paid to 11,862 permanently and totally disabled veterans of the World War and to the beneficiaries of 134,537 deceased veterans of that war. This represents an increase of 432 in the number of veterans and a decrease of 1,520 in the number of cases in which payments were being made to beneficiaries on June 30, 1930. At the

close of this year the aggregate value of the policies held by veterans was \$95,583,000 and by beneficiaries \$1,174,300,000, while the average monthly installment was \$49.88. The beneficiaries receiving monthly payments consisted of 83,383 parents; 27,997 sisters and brothers; 20,057 widows; 2,103 children; and 997 aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

An analysis of the diseases for which term insurance is being paid disabled veterans discloses that neuropsychiatric diseases are the disabling cause in 5,389 cases, or 45 per cent of the total, and tuberculosis in 3,460, or 29 per cent of the cases. In other words, 74 per cent of the disabled veterans receiving monthly installments of term insurance are suffering from neuropsychiatric and tuberculous diseases. A study of the deaths among veterans as the result of which beneficiaries are receiving payments of term insurance indicates that 55,144, or 41 per cent, were the result of battle injuries and 46,344, or 34 per cent, were caused by diseases of the respiratory system. The majority of the deaths from diseases of the respiratory system were caused by influenza and pneumonia contracted during the epidemic of 1918. A further study of the date of first payment in the death cases reveals that 89 per cent of the veterans died prior to July 1, 1921, which would indicate that the majority died during service or as a direct result thereof.

Payments of term insurance to disabled veterans have been discontinued in 21,760 cases—18,296 by reason of death and 3,464 because of recovery. Tuberculosis, which is the cause of disability in 29 per cent of all permanent total cases, was the primary cause of death in 70 per cent of the insurance cases in which payments to veterans were discontinued. Approximately 57 per cent of the recoveries were tuberculous cases and 14 per cent neuropsychiatric. Of the total veterans rated permanently and totally disabled, 45 per cent are suffering from neuropsychiatric diseases while the terminations by death in this group represent but 11 per cent of the total deaths.

The amendment of June 7, 1924, to the World War veterans' act providing for lump-sum payments in those cases in which the beneficiaries named in the policies have died before receiving the prescribed total of 240 monthly installments has to date resulted in 22,361 such payments in the amount of \$115,907,416. During this fiscal year there were 3,303 such cases.

New York has the largest number of beneficiaries of veterans receiving term-insurance payments with 13,617 as compared with 10,669 in Pennsylvania, 8,082 in Illinois, 7,113 in Ohio, and 6,645 in California. Payments are being made to 129 veterans and to the beneficiaries of 6,385 deceased veterans who reside outside the continental limits of the United States. The largest number of such veterans reside in Italy, where there are 27. There are also 1,905 beneficiaries of deceased veterans residing in Italy and 767 in the British Isles. Payments are being made to 16 veterans in Canada and to 461 beneficiaries living in that country. There are 596 emergency officers retired with pay who are receiving payments of term or automatic insurance because of permanent total disability.

At the close of this fiscal year automatic insurance at the rate of \$25 per month was being paid to 273 permanently and totally disabled veterans and to the beneficiaries of 7,196 deceased veterans.

These beneficiaries included 6,126 parents, 611 widows, and 459 children. This insurance was provided for veterans who died or became permanently and totally disabled before having an opportunity to apply for term insurance.

CONVERTED INSURANCE CLAIMS

On June 30, 1931, a total of 16,786 awards had been made on account of death and 6,424 by reason of permanent and total disability. These death awards involve the payment of insurance in the amount of \$89,855,000. Of this sum, \$70,836,515 was disbursed in lump-sum payments to 13,293 beneficiaries. Payments of installments were completed in 1,455 cases in which the veteran was deceased, leaving 2,016 such cases on which payment is still being made. Payments of converted insurance, averaging \$33.69 monthly, are being made to 6,009 permanently and totally disabled veterans.

During the calendar year 1930 awards were made to the beneficiaries of 2,504 deceased veterans, amounting to \$15,149,279, and to 1,367 permanently and totally disabled veterans in the amount of \$9,199,472, a decrease of 184 awards in the former instance and an increase of 19 in the latter over the calendar year 1929.

Of the policies on which death claims were paid during the calendar year 1930 approximately 26 per cent were ordinary life, 22 per cent were 5-year convertible term, and 19 per cent were 20-payment life. In cases of permanent total disability, 33 per cent were 5-year convertible term, 23 per cent were ordinary life, and 17 per cent were 20-payment life.

The principal causes of death among policyholders during the calendar year 1930 were as follows: Diseases of the circulatory system, 23 per cent; tuberculosis, 14 per cent; and diseases of the respiratory system, 10 per cent. Of the permanent and total disabilities, 35 per cent were caused by tuberculosis, 14 per cent by psychiatric diseases, and 13 per cent by diseases of the circulatory system.

ADJUSTED COMPENSATION

The amendment to the World War adjusted-compensation act, effective February 27, 1931, provides that the loan basis of adjusted-service certificates shall at no time be less than 50 per cent of the face value of the certificate and the rate of interest on any loan made after the effective date of this amendment shall not exceed 4½ per cent, compounded annually. The effect of this amendment on the number of loans on these certificates is strikingly illustrated by the following: From July 1, 1930, to the effective date of the above amendment, a period of approximately eight months, there were 867,741 loans made to the value of \$71,415,403.25; during the remaining four months of this fiscal year 2,063,578 loans were made, distributed by months as follows: March, 835,993; April, 914,433; May, 214,447; and June, 98,705. These figures show that the bulk of this work was disposed of during the first two months following the passage of the above amendatory act. The total amount disbursed for loans under the amendatory act to June 30, 1931, was \$795,569,519.73, making a total of \$866,984,922.98 loaned direct to veterans during this fiscal year.

*97.77% of
certificates
in force
had a loan
value prior
to passage of
act
July 27/31*

The claims filed for benefits under the World War adjusted compensation act to June 30, 1931, totaled 3,828,146, of which 3,790,811, to the value of \$3,607,007,836, had been approved. Of the approved number 3,546,259 represented adjusted service certificates issued to veterans, valued at \$3,562,568,587; 132,674 were cash payments to veterans whose adjusted service credit did not exceed \$50, amounting to \$4,565,899; 104,464 were claims on which quarterly payments were made to the dependents of veterans whose adjusted service credit was more than \$50, aggregating \$36,876,816; and 7,414 were cash payments to dependents of veterans whose adjusted service credit was less than \$50, amounting to \$200,834. The sum of \$2,795,700 has been paid on claims for the \$60 bonus to the dependents of veterans who died in service and therefore did not receive this benefit upon the termination of said service. Death claims to the value of \$108,007,445 have been awarded to the beneficiaries of 106,929 deceased veterans who had received adjusted service certificates.

The loans outstanding on June 30, 1931, amounted to \$1,087,195,525 and were made to 2,265,345 veterans.

COMMITTEES ON RECOVERIES

The committees on recoveries were established under authority contained in section 28 of the World War veterans' act, as amended. The central committee on recoveries has original jurisdiction to consider and adjudicate all overpayment cases arising in the central office, and similar cases arising in the field wherein the amount involved is more than \$300. The regional committees in the field have authority to adjudicate, finally, subject to appeal, cases involving not more than \$300, wherein overpayment or overpayments were not discovered within a period of three months of the time such overpayment or overpayments were made. The central committee has appellate jurisdiction over all cases appealed from the decisions of regional committees.

Adjudications by central office and regional committees on recoveries for this fiscal year were as follows:

Overpayments disposed of

	Waived		Not waived		Total	
	Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Amount
Central committee on recoveries: Central office cases.....	489	\$265,249.03	843	\$381,344.95	1,332	\$646,593.98
Regional—						
On review cases.....	122	96,787.42	332	212,801.06	454	309,588.48
On appeal cases.....	14	4,685.23	32	8,974.24	46	13,659.47
Total.....	625	366,721.68	1,207	603,120.25	1,832	969,841.93
Regional committees on recoveries.....	1,171	68,630.09	2,022	146,539.81	3,193	215,169.90
Grand total.....	1,796	435,351.77	3,229	749,660.06	5,025	1,185,011.83

During this fiscal year 5,025 cases of overpayments were acted upon in the central and regional offices, of which number overpayments were waived in 1,796, or 35.74 per cent of the total. The central

office committee on recoveries authorized waivers in 34.11 per cent of the cases handled as compared with 36.67 per cent in regional offices. The average overpayment handled by the central office committee amounted to \$529.39 as compared with \$67.39 for regional offices. The average amount of the overpayment waived by the central office committee was \$586.75 as compared with \$58.61 for regional offices.

DIVISION OF APPEALS

The division of appeals is composed of five area boards of appeal located in Washington, D. C., New York, New Orleans, Chicago, and San Francisco, and a council on appeals located in central office.

Appeals from decisions of boards of original jurisdiction are taken to the respective area boards, and decisions by the area boards, when appealed from, are reviewed by the council on appeals.

On June 30, 1930, there was a balance of 1,858 cases pending before the area boards. During this fiscal year 20,291 cases were received and 20,752 cases were disposed of, leaving 1,397 on hand as of June 30, 1931. Personal hearings were conducted in 4,613 cases during this year.

During the first half of this fiscal year the regional rating boards made a concentrated effort to establish the disability allowance rating program made necessary by the amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act. This resulted in fewer decisions being made on compensation cases during that time. For the last month of the fiscal year, however, the number of cases received by the area boards of appeal showed an increase of approximately 50 per cent over the number received during the last month of the calendar year 1930. This increase was no doubt due to the resumption of activities on compensation cases and the increased number of decisions made in regional offices on disability allowance cases.

The number of cases considered by the council on appeals during this fiscal year did not equal the number considered in the preceding fiscal year, due to the decrease in the number of emergency officers' retirement cases, the decrease in the number of decisions rendered on compensation cases by the regional offices, and the fact that additional authority was granted the area boards of appeal which permitted them to take final action in a larger number of cases. On June 30, 1930, there was a balance of 1,576 cases on hand requiring council consideration. The total number of cases received during this fiscal year was 5,502, of which 56 necessitated decisions on both disability compensation and disability allowance. A total of 3,659 decisions was rendered and 910 actions, other than decisions, were taken by said council. In 1,349 cases the appeal was granted in whole or in part, this number representing 23.84 per cent of the decisions rendered. Hearings were conducted in 2,749 cases. There were 565 cases pending council action on June 30, 1931.

At the close of the fiscal year the division of appeals was operating on practically a current basis and rendering decisions on an average of approximately 15 days after receipt of the files, except in those cases in which further development was indicated or a hearing had been requested. Some delay was occasioned in those cases in

which the veteran had elected more than one representative to appear in his behalf, and all such representatives were unable to appear before the board promptly.

FINANCE

The actual net disbursements for all purposes (including adjustments on lapsed appropriations) for the activities under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1931, aggregate \$785,813,713.98. On this amount, \$511,678,902.30 was disbursed from appropriations made for the support of the activities of the former Veterans' Bureau; \$260,673,873.30 from appropriations of the former Pension Bureau; and \$13,460,938.38 from appropriations of the former National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. The disbursements from Pension Bureau appropriations include approximately \$24,500,000 for the payment of annuities and refunds under the civil service retirement law and slightly over \$102,000 for salaries and expenses in connection with the administration of this activity.

The actual net disbursements from each appropriation of the former Veterans' Bureau (including adjustments on lapsed appropriations) during this year were as follows:

Appropriations	Disbursements
Salaries and expenses-----	\$45,963,633.94-1
Printing and binding-----	178,368.26-1
Claims for damages, act Dec. 28, 1922-----	199.95-3
Military and naval family allowance-----	3,441.84-3
Military and naval compensation-----	253,969,221.49
Hospital facilities and services-----	9,040,319.81-2
Medical and hospital services-----	36,749,579.04-1
Vocational rehabilitation-----	21,747.50-3
Judgments, Court of Claims-----	61,507.95-3
Adjusted service and dependent pay-----	2,463,148.16
Adjusted service certificate fund-----	19,391,652.05
Military and naval insurance-----	117,924,352.03
Miscellaneous-----	1,732.86-3
Trust funds:	
United States Government life insurance fund-----	25,951,864.23
Army allotments-----	1,443.52-3
Navy allotments-----	184.67-3
Total-----	511,678,902.30

The amount shown under the appropriation "Adjusted service certificate fund" includes \$485,047.45 deducted from payment of matured certificates on account of loans previously made from this fund, including accrued interest from date of loan to death of veteran. Further, the amount shown for the appropriation "Medical and hospital services" includes allotments of \$4,221,734.25 made during this period to the Public Health Service and the War, Navy, and Interior Departments for the care and treatment of beneficiaries of the Veterans' Administration in hospitals operated by these agencies.

The actual net disbursements from each appropriation of the former Pension Bureau during this year were as follows:

¹ Credit.

² Includes encumbrances.

\$11,999,159.86
 \$1,541,776.50

Appropriations	Disbursements
Army and Navy pensions:	
Army pensions.....	\$221,666,557.73
Navy pensions.....	12,753,163.70
Salaries, Bureau of Pensions.....	1,235,916.27-1
Investigation of pension cases.....	116,847.50-1
Appliances for disabled soldiers.....	128.79-1
Artificial limbs.....	26,125.00-1
Annuities to participants in yellow-fever expedition.....	15,750.00-3
Fees of examining surgeons.....	275,955.95-1
Printing and binding.....	9,140.56-1
Contingent expenses.....	23,973.16-1
Total.....	236,123,558.66
Civil-service retirement:	
Salaries and expenses.....	102,162.39
Annuities and refunds.....	24,448,152.25
Total.....	24,550,314.64

The percentage distribution of all disbursements made during the fiscal year 1931 is given in the following table. These figures represent actual disbursements and when the encumbrances for the year are recorded slight changes will occur. Included in the salaries for field offices are salaries paid to the professional and technical personnel in clinics, which should be deducted from the overhead. Deducting this personnel at field offices, the percentage for this item is materially lower.

Salaries:	Percentage
Hospitals and combined facilities.....	2.89
Soldiers' homes.....	.85
Field offices.....	1.50
Central office.....	1.33
Administrative expenses (other than salaries).....	.51
Medical, hospital, and domiciliary expenses (other than salaries).....	5.54
Investigation of pension cases.....	.02
Fees of examining surgeons.....	.04
Hospital and domiciliary facilities and services (construction).....	1.39
Compensation.....	33.36
Army and Navy pensions.....	30.79
Term insurance.....	15.49
United States Government life insurance.....	3.41
Adjusted service and dependant pay.....	.32
Adjusted service certificate fund.....	2.55
Miscellaneous.....	.01

LEGAL

Opinions.—During this period the legal service of central office rendered some 721 formal and precedent opinions covering all phases of the war risk insurance act, as amended, the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, the World War adjusted compensation act, and general questions arising in connection with administration. An analysis of these opinions discloses that 206 related to insurance benefits, 109 settled compensation rights, 30 determined adjusted compensation payments, 26 concerned emergency officers' retirement benefits, 47 pertained to questions of hospitalization, 8 referred to matters of out-patient treatment, 95 concerned beneficiaries under legal disability, and 200 may be classified as miscellaneous. In addition, some 2,863 opinions in memorandum or letter form were rendered.

Prosecutions.—In addition to directing investigations through the regional offices, the legal service cooperates with the several investigating agencies of the Government in developing the facts concerning possible violations of law. The evidence in cases developed solely by the Veterans' Administration is submitted to the Department of Justice with a brief of the facts and law for the consideration of the appropriate United States attorney. Cases developed in cooperation with the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice or the secret-service division of the Treasury Department are by those agencies submitted to the appropriate United States attorneys. The Veterans' Administration cooperates, however, with the United States attorneys in the further handling of the cases upon request of the Department of Justice.

Attorneys in the Veterans' Administration are appointed special assistant United States attorneys in certain cases to aid in the presentation of evidence to grand juries and to participate in the trial of the defendants. When requested by the Department of Justice, the Veterans' Administration also prepares tentative forms of indictments covering offenses committed in connection with Veterans' Administration activities and cooperates in making a research of the laws. The major portion of the offenses involved are covered by penal provisions within the several acts administered by the Veterans' Administration, but where these statutes do not cover a particular offense the case is then prepared under the appropriate provision of the Federal Criminal Code or other applicable Federal penal statute.

There were pending in the Veterans' Administration on June 30, 1930, 239 cases which were in course of investigation. During the fiscal year 531 complaints of violations of laws were received and investigated, 186 of which were submitted to the Department of Justice for consideration of United States attorneys and 346 were closed without reference to the Department of Justice on account of lack of evidence, expiration of the period of the statute of limitations, etc. A total of 238 cases remained in course of investigation on June 30, 1931.

There was pending in the Department of Justice on June 30, 1931, a total of 263 prosecution cases. There were submitted during this fiscal year 186, making a total of 449 cases. Of these 215 were disposed of by the Department of Justice, leaving a balance on June 30, 1931, of 234 cases. Of the 215 cases disposed of, 138 were closed without indictment, 46 resulted in convictions, 18 were nolle-prossed, in 12 the defendants were acquitted, and 1 indictment was filed away with leave to reinstate in event the defendant is apprehended. In explanation it may be stated that of the 138 cases closed without indictment a majority were cases wherein it was believed that on account of the mitigating circumstances, etc., a successful prosecution might not be obtained; nevertheless, there having been a prima facie showing of guilt, the Veterans' Administration took the position that the proper enforcement branch of the Government should consider the evidence.

Civil suits.—The defense of actions brought against the United States in connection with Veterans' Administration suits is com-

mitted generally to the Department of Justice and the local United States attorney for the district in which suit is brought. The Veterans' Administration in all instances assists the United States attorneys in the preparation and trial of cases through the services of its regional attorneys and central-office attorneys especially trained in this class of litigation. In general, the regional attorneys assist in all cases, and in many regional offices they are entirely responsible for the trial of these insurance cases, except those wherein important and complicated questions of law are involved. In these latter cases attorneys are assigned from the central office.

During the last fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, 2,101 insurance actions were disposed of. Of these 1,076 resulted in judgments in favor of plaintiffs and 1,019 were either dismissed by plaintiffs or judgment rendered in favor of the Government. Ten cases aggregating the sum of \$83,667.50 were disposed of administratively. Six interpleaders were filed in which the Government admitted liability, but there was a dispute as to the payee. The judgments recovered by plaintiffs in the 1,076 cases amounted to a total of \$10,408,571.55.

Some of the more important cases were as follows:

In the case of James D. Vance (XC-53699), insured was granted a contract of term insurance in the sum of \$10,000, which lapsed subsequent to his discharge for nonpayment of premiums. Subsequent to the lapse of his contract the insured died and his administratrix filed suit against the Government, alleging that at the time insured's contract lapsed he was suffering from a compensable disability for which compensation was uncollected and that he became permanently and totally disabled at a time when he had uncollected compensation due him sufficient in amount if applied in payment of the unpaid premiums on his insurance to have purchased the full amount thereof. The Government had not rated the insured as permanently and totally disabled at a time when he had due him any uncollected compensation. At the trial of this suit the Government took the position that the court was without jurisdiction to find that the insured became permanently and totally disabled at any date different from that found by the Government, in order to invoke the provisions of section 305 of the World War veterans' act, and moved that the petition be dismissed for want of jurisdiction. The court denied this motion and found that the insured became permanently and totally disabled, as alleged in the petition, and rendered judgment for plaintiff. The Circuit Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit affirmed the judgment for plaintiff.

The case of Hollis L. Crowell, which was similar to the Vance case, was disposed of likewise.

In the case of United States of America v. Elton L. Harrison, administrator Albert Mitchell Harrison (XC-1575023), judgment was rendered for plaintiff. On appeal by the United States this judgment was reversed by the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the cause remanded for a new trial. The principal ground of reversal was because the evidence showed that the insured had followed continuously a substantially gainful occupation for three years subsequent to the lapse of his contract. The court further held, however, that the question of whether active tuberculosis was totally disabling depended upon the facts in the given case.

In the case of James M. Searls, administrator of Dolph Searls (XC-1092310), plaintiff recovered judgment on the contract of insurance granted Dolph Searls. On appeal by the Government this judgment was reversed by the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. The trial court charged the jury that under the provisions of section 200 of the World War veterans' act, as amended July 2, 1926, insured was presumed to have contracted tuberculosis while in the military service. The circuit court held that section 200 had no application to suits on war risk insurance contracts and in making such holding held that the amendment to this section approved July 3, 1930, had no application to this case, since it was tried before the amendment, but further held that the section as amended July 2, 1926, had no application to suits on insurance contracts.

In the case of Fred D. White (C-621058), insured recovered judgment on his policy of Government life insurance. The Government appealed on the ground that plaintiff's petition did not allege a compliance with paragraph 9 of the policy with reference to due proof and that it was not proved at the trial that due proof had been furnished the bureau. The Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit held that it was necessary to allege in a petition on a policy of Government life insurance that due proof had been furnished and the date same was furnished should be proved at the trial.

Subrogation.—Section 313 of the war risk insurance act, 1917, as amended, which was saved from repeal by section 600 of the World War veterans' act, 1924, provides that if an injury or death for which compensation is payable is caused under circumstances creating a legal liability upon some person other than the United States to pay damages therefor, the director (administrator), as a condition to the payment of compensation by the United States, may require the beneficiary to assign to the United States any right of action he may have to enforce such liability of such other person; or if it appears to be for the best interests of the beneficiary, the director (administrator) may require him to prosecute said action in his own name, subject to bureau (administration) regulations. This section further provides that the cause of action so assigned to the United States may be prosecuted or compromised by the director (administrator), and any money realized or collected thereon, less reasonable expenses for such realization or collection, shall be placed to the credit of the military and naval compensation appropriation. If the amount placed to the credit of such appropriation in such case is in excess of the amount of the award of compensation, if any, such excess shall be paid to the beneficiary after any compensation award for the same injury or death is made. A report of this work for the fiscal year 1931 is as follows:

Pending June 30, 1930.....	20
Received.....	1
Closed.....	20
Pending June 30, 1931.....	1
Judgment pending June 30, 1931 (appeal filed).....	\$3, 750. 00
Amount previously recovered by claimants and reported during fiscal year 1931.....	30, 551. 88
Amount placed to credit of military and naval compensation appropriation.....	22, 627. 54

Guardianship.—As of June 30, 1931, there were 27,802 incompetent and 40,525 minor beneficiaries under guardianship, or a total of 68,327. There was an increase of 7,369 during the fiscal year, almost double the prior normal yearly increase, due largely to the disability allowance provision of the act of July 3, 1930, the increase in incompetents being both numerically and proportionately greater than that of minors for the first time. There has just been added to this number the cases of those under legal disability for whom pensions are payable. These will increase the total by about 10,000 cases.

Guardians' accounts were secured and disposed of as follows: Approved, 57,629; disapproved, 1,836; pending, 6,355; total, 65,820. While 3,316 due were not received, these will be secured during the ensuing year. Payments were suspended in 1,589 cases for failure to account satisfactorily. During the year it was necessary to file petitions in the courts to force accountings in 1,018 cases. Exceptions were filed in 642 cases, were sustained in 352, and disallowed in 130 instances. In 64 cases prosecution was recommended, and 38 were under investigation at the end of the year. Excessive fees and/or commissions were noted in 709 cases. Recovery was made in 395 and disallowed in 248. One hundred and twenty guardians were removed for cause. During this year the estimated amount directly saved beneficiaries under legal disability, including legal services rendered, was \$1,140,000.

The uniform veterans' guardianship act, previously enacted by 30 States, was adopted during this year by three others. As enacted in most of these States, this act is sufficiently broad to include the pension cases which are now the responsibility of the Veterans' Administration.

Several very far-reaching decisions affecting the status of the administration's guardianship program have been rendered by the supreme courts of the various States. The Supreme Court of Washington in the case of *Strozyk* (286 Pac. 646), took cognizance of the regulations of the bureau (administration) relative to fees. The same court in the case of *McNair* (citation not yet available) held that the bureau (administration) may appeal from a decision of a lower court. See also the case (Massachusetts) of *Keating v. Hession* (172 N. E. 111). The right of the bureau (administration) to file an action for removal of a guardian was upheld by the Supreme Court of Appeals of the State of Virginia in the cases of *U. S. v. Thomas* and *U. S. v. Smith*, decided June 18, 1931, citation not yet available.

In the cases of *State ex rel. v. Bank* (Gordon estate) and *State v. Bank* (Tannyhill estate) the Supreme Court of Nebraska held that benefits in the hands of an administrator or guardian, and deposited in a bank which fails, constitute trust funds and as such are a prior lien against the assets of the bank. As to the trust nature of such funds see also *Rickell's estate* (Maryland) (149 Atl. 446).

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT

Annuityants on roll.—On June 30, 1931, there were 22,650 annuityants on the roll, as compared with 17,768 at the close of the fiscal year 1930, an increase of 4,882. Of those on the roll at the close of this year 15,357 were retired for age, 4,947 for disability, 1,374 on

account of involuntary separation, and 972 as a result of 30 years' service. The oldest annuitant on the roll, according to the record in his case, is nearly 111 years of age. He was born December 25, 1820, entered the Government service June 3, 1894, as a common laborer, and was retired July 31, 1922. Two other annuitants are 102 years of age, while the others range between 26 and 99 years. The largest number of annuitants for any one attained age is 1,576, at 70 years. A total of 187 annuitants rendered 50 or more years of service, while 1 annuitant had 67 years. Of the total annuitants 12,229, or 54 per cent, are former employees of the Post Office Department. The departments having the next highest number are the Navy with 3,133, Treasury with 2,041, and War with 2,001. Approximately 92 per cent of the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931, were male.

Value of annuities.—On June 30, 1931, the average annuity paid under the act of May 29, 1930, was \$952.01 per annum, as compared with \$759.40 under the act of July 3, 1926. The annual value of the retirement roll on June 30, 1931, was \$21,563,026.50. The highest annuity paid during this year was \$1,285.92 and the lowest \$81. Of the total annuitants as of June 30, 1931, some 7,626, or 33.7 per cent, were receiving \$1,200 or more per annum and 15,024, or 66.3 per cent, less than that sum. It is significant to mention that under the act of May 29, 1930, there is really no maximum annuity, and that as time goes on the rates will increase until it will be possible to receive as much as \$2,500 per annum, or even more.

Status of fund.—During this year receipts to the credit of the fund totaled \$58,276,512.15, of which \$29,698,262.54 represents deductions from the compensation of employees, \$7,332,320.46 interest on investments, \$245,929.15 miscellaneous receipts, and \$21,000,000, an appropriation by the Congress. Disbursements for the same period on account of annuities, refunds, and allowances amounted to \$24,448,152.25, or \$33,828,359.90 less than the receipts. Between August 1, 1920, the date the original retirement law became effective, and June 30, 1931, the total receipts to the credit of the fund amounted to \$322,184,262.51, of which \$61,450,000 was appropriated by the Congress. During this period the aggregate disbursements on account of annuities amounted to \$96,004,898.35, for refunds and interest to \$35,243,860.03, and on account of miscellaneous adjustments and Treasury settlements to \$560,724.81, or a grand total of \$131,809,483.19. The balance in the fund on June 30, 1931, was \$191,047,491.47, as compared with \$156,546,419.42 on June 30, 1930, an increase of \$34,501,072.05.

Claims.—The passage of the amendatory act of May 29, 1930, which became effective on July 1, 1930, resulted in the filing of an increased number of original claims for annuity during this fiscal year and in fact resulted in a general increase in work in every activity concerned in the administration of the retirement laws.

When the above-mentioned act became effective there were 17,768 annuitants on the roll. Under the provisions of section 8 it was necessary to examine and recompute each case in order to determine the increased rate payable. In many instances additional evidence had to be developed as a basis for readjudication. Within six months after the effective date of the act practically all of these cases had been readjudicated.

The following is a summary of the classes of claims received and disposed of during the fiscal year in addition to the readjudication of the 17,768 cases hereinbefore referred to:

	On hand July 1, 1930	Received during year	Disposed of during year	On hand June 30, 1931
Age.....	160	4, 301	4, 139	322
Disability.....	217	2, 123	1, 840	500
30 years' service.....	0	1, 067	1, 013	54
Involuntary separation.....	65	298	256	107
Accrued annuity.....	116	1, 313	1, 111	318
Refunds.....	590	21, 304	21, 346	548
Accumulated deductions.....	293	2, 702	2, 429	566
Service credit.....	554	2, 071	1, 736	889
Unexpended balance.....	0	356	231	125
Total.....	1, 995	35, 535	34, 101	3, 429

The privilege of making application for retirement on account of disability after only 5 years of service, as provided by the act of May 29, 1930, instead of 15 years as under previous laws, resulted in a marked increase in the number of these claims filed. During 1931 there were 1,950 original claims filed, as compared with 1,001 in 1930, while the number of disability annuitants on the rolls increased from 3,994 in 1930 to 4,947 in 1931.

With respect to the number of applications for refund—that is, in the case of those separated from the service before reaching eligibility for retirement on annuity—there was a noticeable falling off in such claims during this fiscal year as compared with the preceding year. The number of such claims filed during 1930 was 25,159, while for 1931 there were 21,304 claims filed. This difference can probably be attributed to changes in economic conditions throughout the country rather than to changes in the retirement law itself.

The act of May 29, 1930, provides that employees with 30 years of service shall have the privilege of optional retirement two years prior to the regular prescribed retirement age of their class. At the close of this fiscal year there were 972 employees receiving retirement pay under this provision. What relation this number bears to the total number of eligibles is not known, but it is believed that it represents only a small minority.

Under the act of May 29, 1930, the retirement age for navy-yard mechanics and laborers was lowered from 65 to 62 years, effective July 1, 1930. The retirements under these classifications, as shown in the statistical tables published in this report, are exclusive of navy-yard employees retired prior to that date, who are included under the general subheads, "Mechanics" or "Laborers."

Canal Zone retirement act.—Under date of March 2, 1931, an act (Public, No. 781, 71st Cong.) was approved which provides for the retirement of employees of the Panama Canal and the Panama Railroad Co. on the Isthmus of Panama who are citizens of the United States. As this act did not become effective until July 1, 1931, there are no statistics to present in this report in regard to its operation. It is understood that about 2,700 employees of the Panama Canal and 500 employees of the Panama Railroad Co. come within the purview of the act. By its terms the scale of annuities will be considerably

higher than that under the act of May 29, 1930. The employees, however, will contribute 5 per cent of their compensation instead of 3½ per cent contributed by employees within the purview of the general retirement act.

Report of actuaries.—The Tenth Annual Report of the Board of Actuaries, provided for in section 16 of the retirement act, was transmitted to Congress on March 2, 1931, and printed as Senate Document No. 325, Seventy-first Congress, third session.

PERSONNEL

On June 30, 1930, three days prior to the passage of Public No. 536 (71st Cong.), which authorized the consolidation and coordination of governmental activities affecting war veterans into an establishment to be known as the Veterans' Administration, there were 31,576 employees on the rolls of the Veterans' Bureau, Pension Bureau, and National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers whose aggregate annual salaries (including allowances but excluding compensation paid per diem and per hour employees) totaled \$52,414,721. The personnel of the Veterans' Administration on June 30, 1931, totaled 34,807 and the annual pay roll \$58,440,992, which represents an increase of 3,231 employees and \$6,026,271 in annual salaries during this fiscal period. This increase was due entirely to the operation and utilization of a large number of additional hospital beds and to new legislation providing additional or increased benefits to veterans. As a matter of fact, the additional personnel on duty June 30, 1931, as the direct result of the foregoing totaled 3,356, whereas the actual net increase in personnel during this period, as mentioned above, was but 3,231, which would indicate a reduction of 125 employees in the other activities of the Veterans' Administration.

During this year personnel in central office increased from 5,076 to 5,446 and the annual pay roll from \$10,051,037 to \$10,736,557, a net increase of 370 employees and \$685,520 in annual salaries. This increase was caused wholly by permanent and temporary employees appointed in connection with the work of handling loans on adjusted service certificates and the payment of a disability allowance to veterans of the World War.

During this fiscal period the number of employees on duty at field stations increased from 26,500 to 29,361 and the annual pay roll from \$42,363,684 to \$47,704,435, a net increase of 2,861 employees and \$5,340,751 in annual salaries. Over two-thirds of the increase in personnel was due to the operation and utilization of new hospitals and additions to existing facilities, a total of 3,575 new beds having been placed in operation during this year. The remaining one-third was attributable to personnel placed on duty in connection with the adjudication of claims for disability allowance as authorized by the amendment of July 3, 1930, to the World War veterans' act.

In making new appointments, and in effecting discontinuances, the policy of extending preference to ex-service employees has been carefully followed. The same preference has been extended in filling vacancies occurring in the staff positions of the Veterans' Administration. Eliminating the so-called floating personnel in the Veterans'

Administration homes, hospitals, and combined facilities, such as ward attendants, waiters, kitchen helpers, etc., 68.10 per cent of the total male employees on the Veterans' Administration's rolls as of June 30, 1931, were ex-service and 10.10 per cent of the female personnel had such status, while 42.44 per cent of the total permanent personnel of the Veterans' Administration was ex-service on the above date.

All of the foregoing figures include member employees in the soldiers' homes of the Veterans' Administration. On June 30, 1931, there were 2,671 of these employees receiving aggregate annual salaries of \$1,419,440.

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MEDICAL TABLES

TABLE NO. 1.—*Clinical laboratory classified tests in Veterans' Administration dispensaries for fiscal years 1924-1931*

Fiscal year	Total	Blood				Urine	Examination of feces, gastric and duodenum	Sputum		Spinal fluid		Bacteriological examination	Typhoid and paratyphoid	Miscellaneous
		Complement fixation	Counts	Chemical	Others			Tuberculosis	Others	Wassermann	Others			
1931.....	393,897	69,659	25,583	14,470	36,285	211,053	16,198	9,562	205	827	2,363	3,089	0	4,602
1930.....	176,181	30,116	9,161	5,390	11,202	101,362	6,564	7,267	298	188	398	2,566	0	1,669
1929.....	163,346	24,834	6,707	4,842	9,525	97,665	5,985	9,042	348	98	171	2,526	0	1,603
1928.....	169,712	25,650	7,104	4,243	5,026	104,613	5,325	10,646	397	331	131	2,642	2	3,599
1927.....	191,196	23,987	8,142	4,542	1,644	122,867	6,418	16,348	412	397	197	3,235	1	3,006
1926.....	184,670	28,550	8,816	4,546	1,481	101,991	8,824	18,574	796	381	356	5,870	72	4,413
1925.....	223,357	39,323	12,349	5,287	2,816	106,197	10,230	26,336	755	306	581	13,554	49	5,568
1924.....	126,383	22,187	7,599	2,795	1,295	58,167	4,569	13,701	458	190	402	6,924	12	10,084

TABLE NO. 2.—*Clinical laboratory classified tests in Veterans' Administration hospitals for fiscal years 1924-1931*

Fiscal year	Total	Blood				Urine	Examination of feces, gastric and duodenum	Sputum		Spinal fluid		Bacteriological examination	Typhoid and paratyphoid	Miscellaneous
		Complement fixation	Counts	Chemical	Others			Tuberculosis	Others	Wassermann	Others			
1931.....	1,065,771	84,029	151,302	81,859	100,465	238,625	58,023	198,343	5,290	6,335	23,689	52,017	-----	65,794
1930.....	910,683	71,014	115,438	62,777	73,031	215,227	54,112	183,928	2,494	5,325	18,857	48,113	-----	60,307
1929.....	851,636	67,311	102,449	53,900	60,515	203,864	53,361	181,421	8,609	5,652	16,487	41,524	-----	58,543
1928.....	817,269	63,396	89,685	48,168	36,730	197,021	53,109	186,325	20,933	4,356	13,659	51,395	620	51,872
1927.....	759,286	60,101	7,787	38,338	27,134	180,147	49,434	194,744	19,890	4,679	13,778	103,411	1,011	55,352
1926.....	708,538	55,862	62,304	32,335	21,730	169,844	46,581	194,912	22,074	4,323	12,710	38,274	12,816	34,273
1925.....	665,944	52,723	48,423	25,338	14,218	147,051	43,946	239,109	23,170	2,876	8,339	31,174	7,854	21,723
1924.....	285,938	20,915	22,758	11,415	7,108	60,570	19,826	103,639	5,067	944	2,596	15,546	3,503	9,051

TABLE NO. 3.—X-ray examinations in Veterans' Administration dispensaries for fiscal years 1924-1931, classified by type of examination

Fiscal year	Number cases rayed	Total X-ray examinations	Chest	Cardio-vascular stripe	Gastro-intestinal tract	Uro-genital tract	Dental	Sinuses	Bones and joints	Foreign bodies	Miscellaneous
1931	154,347	229,297	59,770	13,470	25,207	4,095	14,183	10,349	67,003	1,145	34,075
1930	72,321	112,694	32,582	5,909	8,081	1,971	13,099	4,973	28,482	1,051	16,806
1929	71,169	113,390	32,622	5,184	7,465	1,669	15,373	4,637	26,283	721	19,636
1928	67,631	104,836	33,290	4,857	6,629	1,626	13,561	4,180	24,392	626	15,773
1927	81,131	107,829	43,562	5,759	7,482	1,447	10,904	4,159	24,551	635	9,330
1926	93,992	114,997	46,407	7,331	7,803	1,523	15,973	5,358	27,174	810	2,618
1925	112,716	128,355	52,419	6,265	8,496	1,654	18,169	7,017	30,979	960	2,406
1924	120,690	132,213	49,359	6,601	7,622	1,626	17,636	6,287	38,761	1,810	2,611

TABLE NO. 4.—X-ray examinations in Veterans' Administration hospitals for fiscal years 1924-1931, classified by type of examination

Fiscal year	Number cases rayed	Total X-ray examinations	Chest	Cardio-vascular stripe	Gastro-intestinal tract	Uro-genital tract	Dental	Sinuses	Bones and joints	Foreign bodies	Miscellaneous
1931	126,487	193,674	57,021	13,149	16,838	4,289	20,169	7,678	39,918	345	34,268
1930	112,196	169,531	47,009	10,056	13,062	3,213	19,014	6,477	30,245	378	30,077
1929	104,099	146,058	44,046	8,910	11,941	3,098	16,934	5,787	25,812	306	29,224
1928	100,389	129,329	42,483	6,206	10,281	2,568	17,997	5,561	22,478	296	22,567
1927	97,298	114,256	43,421	3,961	9,025	2,518	19,225	5,408	20,436	503	9,769
1926	94,871	103,000	42,058	4,348	7,120	2,443	19,014	6,230	19,684	362	1,771
1925	92,304	97,765	43,537	4,777	6,395	2,161	19,217	4,259	15,511	353	1,665
1924	78,713	85,632	34,121	3,846	5,339	1,615	18,841	3,845	15,909	419	1,697

TABLE NO. 5.—Total out-patient medical service, by service rendered, for fiscal years 1924-1931

Fiscal year	Treated	Treatments	Individuals examined	Examinations	Operations	Anesthetics	Sent to hospital	Hospital visits	Home visits
1931	243,038	829,040	821,569	1,933,696	877	65	109,682	18,544	48,661
1930	223,018	785,899	325,112	950,252	968	245	93,448	15,319	42,156
1929	235,491	795,735	303,635	890,020	1,679	323	82,792	18,572	42,305
1928	260,590	827,122	322,302	871,766	2,364	423	73,472	19,666	38,683
1927	262,420	873,577	338,761	922,364	2,600	1,081	71,340	25,500	34,972
1926	345,968	1,044,124	331,947	936,744	4,289	2,177	67,871	49,289	35,063
1925	568,097	1,267,967	331,947	1,144,330	5,863	2,985	69,916	81,680	38,691
1924	763,789	1,703,317	331,947	1,363,296	15,312	3,758	47,965	95,992	45,153

TABLE NO. 6.—Classification of total examinations by kind of examination for fiscal years 1924-1931

Fiscal year	Total	General medical	Laboratory	Eye, ear, nose, and throat	Neuro-psychiatric	Tuberculosis	Surgical and orthopedic
1931	1,933,696	593,225	385,789	190,218	116,054	128,094	167,692
1930	950,252	210,759	184,228	93,285	78,722	88,731	96,930
1929	890,020	199,635	156,049	88,737	80,106	95,007	88,858
1928	871,766	208,765	156,597	85,659	73,267	93,882	79,698
1927	922,364	374,684	.....	94,475	76,210	138,060	86,905
1926	936,744	387,116	.....	111,207	89,179	143,817	91,945
1925	1,144,330	399,254	.....	147,694	110,238	176,980	106,453
1924	1,363,296	527,845	.....	182,589	100,467	190,141	143,452

Fiscal year	Heart	Venereal and non-venereal	Genito-urinary	X ray		Physio-therapy	Dental
				Medical	Dental		
1931	50,411	.....	16,597	213,741	33,077	1,620	37,780
1930	27,019	.....	9,158	101,909	28,784	1,002	29,715
1929	25,800	.....	8,019	90,156	25,638	598	22,619
1928	28,750	.....	7,604	94,084	21,982	1,775	21,733
1927	.....	10,684	.....	104,818	15,139	2,111	19,237
1926	.....	14,781	.....	109,476	15,336	3,078	21,311
1925	.....	16,792	.....	154,263	.....	9,572	24,074
1924	.....	19,222	.....	150,468	.....	13,406	35,704

TABLE No. 7—Classification of total treatments by kind of treatment for fiscal years 1924-1931

Fiscal year	Total	General medical	Laboratory	Eye, ear, nose, and throat	Neuro-psychiatric	Tuberculosis	Surgical and orthopedic
1931	829,040	179,144	125	84,393	46,788	66,168	37,764
1930	786,599	151,318	108	80,785	44,346	68,532	33,072
1929	795,725	153,138	98	84,596	43,714	71,603	35,287
1928	827,122	166,556	1,620	92,712	41,996	74,556	39,171
1927	873,577	184,569	-----	96,481	39,851	87,553	40,910
1926	1,044,124	250,548	-----	115,485	40,042	93,002	53,156
1925	1,257,967	389,619	-----	153,952	38,584	60,994	64,228
1924	1,703,317	568,495	-----	191,409	43,627	70,051	78,645

Fiscal year	Heart	Venereal and non-venereal	Genito-urinary	X ray		Physiotherapy	Dental
				Medical	Dental		
1931	10,693	-----	9,781	1,399	86	305,719	86,980
1930	8,947	-----	12,701	1,225	111	304,657	80,797
1929	8,702	-----	11,503	973	340	311,818	73,993
1928	8,809	-----	9,356	1,671	512	310,060	50,103
1927	-----	9,324	-----	1,390	716	332,605	50,188
1926	-----	11,441	-----	4,306	828	381,689	93,727
1925	-----	11,872	-----	2,314	-----	419,589	116,815
1924	-----	16,586	-----	3,781	-----	542,839	187,884

TABLE No. 8.—Total treatments divided into medical and dental, salary and fee, with per cent of fee, for fiscal years 1924-1931

Fiscal year	Medical				Dental			
	Total	Salary	Fee	Percent fee	Total	Salary	Fee	Percent fee
1931	742,060	568,666	173,394	23.4	86,980	65,747	21,233	24.4
1930	705,802	567,139	138,663	19.6	80,797	64,036	16,761	20.8
1929	721,732	602,809	118,923	16.5	73,993	62,226	11,767	15.9
1928	747,019	649,598	97,421	13.0	80,103	68,366	11,737	14.7
1927	793,389	718,298	75,091	9.5	80,188	72,998	7,190	9.0
1926	950,397	904,475	45,922	4.8	93,727	87,446	6,281	6.7
1925	1,141,152	1,099,089	42,063	3.7	116,815	111,103	5,712	4.9
1924	1,515,433	1,456,585	58,848	3.9	187,884	179,933	7,951	4.2

TABLE No. 9.—Total examinations divided into medical and dental, salary and fee, with per cent of fee, for fiscal years 1924-1931

Fiscal year	Medical				Dental			
	Total	Salary	Fee	Percent fee	Total	Salary	Fee	Percent fee
1931	1,895,918	1,593,994	301,924	15.9	37,780	32,217	5,563	14.7
1930	920,537	892,290	28,247	3.1	29,715	25,623	4,092	13.8
1929	867,201	843,287	23,914	2.8	22,819	20,286	2,533	11.1
1928	850,023	830,962	19,061	2.2	21,733	19,191	2,542	11.7
1927	903,127	880,956	22,171	2.5	19,237	17,478	1,759	9.1
1926	915,433	886,972	28,461	3.1	21,311	19,830	1,481	6.9
1925	1,120,256	1,084,097	36,159	3.2	24,074	22,014	2,060	8.6
1924	1,327,591	1,273,547	54,044	4.1	35,704	33,111	2,593	7.3

TABLE NO. 10.—Regional nursing activities for fiscal years 1925-1931

Fiscal year	Number nurses on duty at end of year	Number of beneficiaries newly assigned during year				Number of beneficiaries released from supervision during year				Number of beneficiaries remaining under supervision at end of year				Number home visits	Number dispensary treatments	Number miscellaneous interviews	Number reports made
		Total	Tuberculosis	Neuropsychiatric	General medical and surgical	Total	Tuberculosis	Neuropsychiatric	General medical and surgical	Total	Tuberculosis	Neuropsychiatric	General medical and surgical				
1931.....	115	15,602	7,086	4,221	4,295	15,138	7,235	4,029	3,874	16,182	11,064	1,517	3,581	57,121	122,288	55,014	60,348
1930.....	114	14,193	7,079	3,859	3,455	13,647	6,889	3,514	3,244	15,349	11,249	1,186	2,914	56,119	104,564	44,450	56,901
1929.....	118	15,008	8,843	2,743	3,422	15,012	9,190	2,717	3,105	15,406	11,419	1,152	2,835	57,271	105,178	48,063	55,795
1928.....	127	20,064	12,991	3,245	3,848	21,486	14,348	3,604	3,534	15,000	11,384	1,068	2,548	66,240	107,878	53,173	65,988
1927.....	140	28,568	19,423	4,034	5,111	33,302	20,392	6,889	6,021	18,014	13,894	1,795	2,325	86,672	120,933	62,490	83,202
1926.....	188	63,316	23,646	10,121	20,549	65,761	21,794	12,212	31,755	28,922	17,987	5,462	5,473	108,075	201,733	110,272	102,820
1925.....	245	143,133	38,998	21,678	82,457	165,871	44,445	24,672	96,754	37,500	17,271	8,377	11,852	140,395	319,204	209,271	148,000

TABLE NO. 11.—Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, remaining in Government and civilian institutions, together with the beds available in Government hospitals, as of June 30, 1931

Branch of service	Total beds available					Beds occupied					Beds unoccupied						
	Total	Tuberculosis	Neuropsychiatric		General medical and surgical	Total	Tuberculosis	Neuropsychiatric		General medical and surgical	Total	Tuberculosis	Neuropsychiatric		General medical and surgical		
			Psy-chotic	Other types				Total	Psy-chotic				Other types	Psy-chotic		Other types	
Grand total.....						35,055	6,560	16,936	15,354	1,582	11,559						
Total Government hospitals.....	35,631	6,942	14,293	1,580	12,816	32,848	6,160	15,562	14,050	1,512	11,126	2,783	782	243	68	1,690	
U. S. Veterans' Bureau.....	25,899	5,749	12,933	896	6,321	23,749	5,077	13,577	12,739	838	5,095	2,150	672	194	58	1,226	
National homes.....	2,252	435	926	133	758	2,252	435	1,059	926	133	758						
U. S. Public Health Service (U. S. Marine).....	1,039	46	2	3	988	949	46	5	2	3	898	90				90	
U. S. Army.....	2,265	533	54	144	1,534	1,967	433	186	52	134	1,348	298	100	2	10	186	
U. S. Navy.....	3,794	178	8	404	3,204	3,596	168	412	8	404	3,016	198	10			188	
Interior Department.....	382	1	370		11	335	1	323	323		11	47		47			
Civil and State.....						2,207	400	1,374	1,304	70	433						

TABLE NO. 12.—Admissions of patients of the Veterans' Administration to all hospitals, as authorized under the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, and prior acts, for fiscal years 1920-1931

Fiscal year	Groups of hospitals			Fiscal year	Groups of hospitals		
	Total	Government	State and civil		Total	Government	State and civil
Total	992,336	815,205	177,131	1926	66,441	64,279	5,162
1931	109,649	104,522	5,127	1925	76,812	68,474	8,338
1930	92,115	88,481	3,634	1924	64,053	51,652	12,401
1929	83,188	80,262	2,926	1923	82,814	59,451	23,363
1928	73,270	70,854	2,416	1922	134,354	86,392	47,962
1927	71,967	69,145	2,822	1921	91,440	48,070	43,370
				1920	43,233	23,623	19,610

TABLE NO. 13.—Admissions to hospitals, during fiscal year 1931, of patients of the Veterans' Administration, authorized under the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by class of beneficiary, groups of hospitals, and type of patient

Class of beneficiary	Groups of hospitals															
	All hospitals				Veterans' Administration				Other Government				State and civil			
	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General
Grand total.....	110,435	11,288	16,761	82,386	59,347	8,660	11,323	39,364	45,928	2,012	4,624	39,292	5,160	616	814	3,730
United States veterans:																
World War.....	102,226	10,753	15,953	75,520	55,736	8,267	10,896	36,573	41,610	1,904	4,268	35,438	4,880	582	789	3,506
Service-connected disabilities.....	24,618	4,879	6,681	13,058	15,928	3,850	4,918	7,160	6,333	658	1,167	4,513	2,357	376	566	1,385
Non-service-connected disabilities.....	76,427	5,721	8,770	60,936	38,563	4,315	5,621	28,627	34,497	1,212	2,962	30,303	2,867	194	167	2,006
Examination or observation for disability allowance.....	2,181	153	502	1,526	1,245	102	357	786	780	39	119	622	156	12	26	118
Wars, occupation, rebellions previous to World War.....	7,423	432	712	6,279	3,158	317	382	2,459	4,018	90	313	3,615	247	25	17	206
Civil War.....	404		34	370	169		20	149	235		14	221				
Spanish-American War.....	6,311	351	614	5,346	2,657	266	330	2,061	3,460	70	272	3,118	194	15	12	167
Philippine Insurrection.....	370	32	30	308	182	18	16	148	140	4	9	127	48	10	5	33
All other expeditions, occupations, and rebellions.....	338	49	34	255	180	33	16	101	183	16	18	149	5			5
Allied veterans.....	460	66	63	331	158	40	18	100	273	18	38	217	29	8	7	14
British.....	74	12	7	55	20	7	1	12	47	2	6	39	7	3		4
Canadian.....	357	53	51	253	134	32	16	86	201	16	28	157	22	5	7	10
All others.....	29	1	5	23	4	1	1	2	25		4	21				
Miscellaneous.....	326	37	33	256	295	36	27	232	27		5	22	4	1	1	2

TABLE NO. 14.—Admissions of Veterans' Administration patients to all hospitals, as authorized under World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by branch of service, type of patient, and sex and color, fiscal year 1931

Branch of service	Type of patient															
	Total			Pulmonary tuberculosis			Psychotic			Other neuropsychiatric			General			
	Total	Male		Female	Male		Female	Male		Female	Male		Female	Male		Female
		White	Colored		White	Colored		White	Colored		White	Colored		White	Colored	
Total.....	109,649	101,268	7,525	856	10,220	888	77	5,832	258	33	9,991	439	112	75,225	5,940	634
U. S. Veterans.....	53,001	50,448	2,908	245	7,253	502	45	4,450	173	3	5,563	202	28	33,182	2,031	169
National homes.....	5,393	4,865	423	5	697	87	-----	360	46	-----	431	21	1	3,377	269	4
U. S. Marine.....	7,966	6,408	1,512	46	163	81	1	47	2	-----	470	74	4	5,728	1,355	41
U. S. Army.....	12,093	11,004	991	98	857	130	8	176	14	9	774	33	13	9,197	814	68
U. S. Navy.....	25,490	24,066	1,403	1	700	54	-----	356	9	-----	2,466	96	-----	20,564	1,242	1
U. S. Interior.....	79	33	46	-----	-----	-----	-----	30	4	-----	2	-----	-----	3	40	-----
State.....	901	283	6	2	2	-----	-----	204	4	1	87	1	-----	50	1	1
Civil.....	4,326	4,131	236	459	548	34	23	209	6	20	250	8	66	3,124	188	350

NOTE.—Admissions of 460 allied veterans and 326 miscellaneous beneficiaries not included.

TABLE NO. 15.—Admissions to hospitals of United States veterans of all wars without regard to nature or origin of their disability, as authorized in paragraph 10, section 202, World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by type of beneficiary, for fiscal years 1925-1931

Type of beneficiary	Grand total	Fiscal year						
		1931	1930	1929	1928	1927	1926	1925
Grand total.....	324,205	82,850	65,817	56,892	45,831	35,386	24,186	13,243
Total:								
World War.....	288,562	75,427	58,781	49,960	40,508	31,389	21,285	11,282
All other wars.....	35,543	7,423	7,036	6,902	5,323	3,997	2,901	1,961
S. P. B. W.: ¹								
World War.....	72,653	16,466	12,974	11,824	10,693	8,950	6,536	5,210
All other wars.....	7,204	1,150	1,146	1,038	1,037	880	831	1,052
W. O. E.: ¹								
World War.....	216,009	58,961	45,807	38,166	29,815	22,439	14,749	6,072
All other wars.....	28,339	6,273	5,860	5,834	4,256	3,117	2,070	899

¹ S. P. B. W., admissions under first proviso; W. O. E., admissions under second proviso, par. 10, sec. 202, World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, as outlined in General Order 292-C.

TABLE NO. 16.—Admissions of Veterans' Administration patients to all hospitals, as authorized under World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by branch of service, type of patient, and type of admission, fiscal year 1931

Branch of service	Type of patient																			
	Total				Pulmonary tuberculosis				Psychotic				Other neuropsychiatric				General medical and surgical			
	Total	First admission	Readmission	Admission by transfer	Total	First admission	Readmission	Admission by transfer	Total	First admission	Readmission	Admission by transfer	Total	First admission	Readmission	Admission by transfer	Total	First admission	Readmission	Admission by transfer
Total	109,649	60,687	46,792	2,170	11,185	4,443	6,284	458	6,123	2,467	2,445	1,211	10,542	5,083	5,346	113	81,799	48,694	32,717	388
U. S. Veterans	88,601	27,530	24,111	1,960	7,809	2,907	4,433	370	4,626	1,801	1,654	1,171	5,793	2,701	2,990	102	35,282	20,031	15,024	317
National homes	5,203	3,248	2,014	31	784	308	406	10	406	208	190	8	458	218	233	2	3,650	2,454	1,185	11
U. S. Marine	7,006	4,856	3,099	1	245	136	106	1	49	25	24	-----	548	292	356	-----	7,124	4,413	2,711	-----
U. S. Army	12,083	6,786	5,205	52	995	406	572	17	199	113	81	5	820	403	414	3	10,079	5,814	4,238	37
U. S. Navy	26,480	16,691	9,785	14	754	376	379	-----	365	194	170	1	2,564	1,357	1,206	1	21,807	13,765	8,030	13
U. S. Interior	79	48	81	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	34	21	13	-----	2	1	1	-----	48	26	17	-----
State	301	85	213	1	2	-----	2	-----	209	45	163	-----	38	5	33	-----	52	35	17	-----
Civil	4,826	2,483	2,282	111	606	161	384	60	235	60	150	25	324	106	213	5	3,662	2,156	1,485	21

NOTE.—Admissions of 460 allied veterans and 326 miscellaneous beneficiaries not included.

TABLE NO. 17.—Annual turnover of patients in Veterans' Administration hospitals for the fiscal years 1920-1931

Location	Per cent turnover											
	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927	1926	1925	1924	1923	1922	1921	1920
Total.....	228	207	192	196	211	209	243	263	263	291	367	484
Alexandria, La.....	512	636	(1)	391	377	322	349	220	213	391	541	759
American Lake, Wash.....	30	36	18	29	35	60	103					
Aspinwall, Pa.....	145	173	190	192	226							
Atlanta, Ga.....	1,006	(1)	754	622	555	772	929	1,254	1,366	1,807	2,720	
Augusta, Ga.....	26	40	28	26	43	89	64	50	79	113		
Bedford, Mass.....	38	40	26									
Boise, Idaho.....	697	693	686	803	666	480	410	502	328	313	451	
Bronx, N. Y.....	33	41	45	45	65	105	139	200	347			
Camp Custer, Mich.....	19	18	27	30	18	58						
Castle Point, N. Y.....	138	132	133	149	185	166						
Chillicothe, Ohio.....	89	98	54	53	72	118	247					
Dwight, Ill.....	827	852	855	803	735	481	649	701	283	346	319	
Edw. Hines, Jr., Hines, Ill.....	503	421	363	331	354	383	393	401	373			
Fargo, N. Dak.....	1,133	1,198										
Fort Bayard, N. Mex.....	149	148	135	153	173	162	190	92	100	143	255	
Fort Harrison, Mont.....	557	566	607	393	366	364	315	356	669	555		
Fort Lyon, Colo.....	299	243	172	189	198	263	197	134	121			
Gulfpfort, Miss.....	72	93	141	217	354	277	255	277	379			
Jefferson Barracks, Mo.....	407	393	554	584	603	545	577	757				
Kansas City, Mo.....	796	782	815	795	977	1,057	1,146	965	1,102	1,338		
Knoxville, Iowa.....	13	28	12	27	40	19	57	123	39	58		
Lake City, Fla.....	829	836	830	877	1,115	747	638	520	430	528		
Legion, Tex.....	210	181	191	166	146	166	149	259				
Livermore, Calif.....	169	121	119	158	178	164						
Memphis, Tenn.....	1,296	1,041	919	977	1,100	1,037	979	802				
Minneapolis, Minn.....	413	376	409	450								
Muskogee, Okla.....	852	795	837	659	837	674	790	644				
Northampton, Mass.....	16	21	15	20	15	20	55					
North Chicago, Ill.....	52	11	23	31	84							
North Little Rock, Ark.....	34	45	27	37	57	72	111	38	81			
Northport, Long Island, N. Y.....	33	11	66									
Oteen, N. C.....	201	166	204	198	273	246	173	256	244	281		
Outwood, Ky.....	319	312	292	227	262	213	275	251	322			
Palo Alto, Calif.....	33	33	59	52	39	60	112	99	333	291	301	307
Perry Point, Md.....	59	42	51	63	60	90	108	166	237	229	423	
Philadelphia, Pa.....	80	19	26	24	54	67	77	60	83	110	198	
Portland, Oreg.....	885	811	702	804	736	720	609	748	610			
Rutland Heights, Mass.....	129	156	151	150	196	215	187	217				
San Fernando, Calif.....	97	115	136	133	146							
Sheridan, Wyo.....	33	32	31	27	35	70	54	66	239			
St. Cloud, Minn.....	16	52	6	13	12	33						
Summout, N. Y.....	103	106	121	118	127	134						
Tucson, Ariz.....	165	163	213	113	150	181	170	168	184	229	519	
Tuskegee, Ala.....	161	177	162	185	182	161	162	302				
Walla Walla, Wash.....	376	358	247	115	142	120	121	134	211			
Washington, D. C.....	1,122	960	740	806	698	688	394	309	361	660	452	627
Waukesha, Wis.....	642	606	535	437	436	302	196	172	147	132	291	388
Whipple, Ariz.....	320	270	223	205	189	158	167	110	120	176	229	
Diagnostic Center, Palo Alto, Calif.....	1,311	1,466	677									

¹ Hospital closed for construction during entire year.

NOTE.—Hospitals in operation for less than the entire year of 1931 not included.

TABLE NO. 18.—*Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, remaining in all hospitals June 30, 1931, by class of beneficiary, groups of hospitals, and type of patient*

Class of beneficiary	Groups of hospitals							
	All hospitals				Veterans' Administration			
	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General
Grand total.....	35,139	6,249	17,069	11,821	26,035	5,288	14,643	6,104
United States veterans:								
World War.....	33,302	5,943	16,615	10,744	24,866	5,031	14,274	5,581
Service-connected disabilities.....	15,701	2,470	11,396	1,845	12,840	2,044	9,693	1,103
Nonservice-connected disabilities.....	17,321	3,447	5,159	8,715	11,893	2,973	4,533	4,387
Examination or observation for disability allowance.....	280	26	70	184	153	14	48	91
Wars, occupations, rebellions previous to World War.....	1,648	250	386	1,010	1,008	210	315	483
Civil War.....	86		15	71	43		9	34
Spanish-American War.....	1,385	210	340	835	862	181	278	403
Philippine insurrection.....	85	16	19	50	50	11	17	22
All other wars, expeditions, and rebellions.....	90	24	12	54	53	18	11	24
Allied veterans.....	116	33	41	42	75	26	29	20
British.....	25	8	7	10	19	7	7	5
Canadian.....	87	24	33	30	55	19	21	15
All others.....	4	1	1	2	1		1	
Miscellaneous.....	75	23	27	25	66	21	25	20

Class of beneficiary	Groups of hospitals							
	Other Government				State and civil			
	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General	Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Neuro-psychiatric	General
Grand total.....	6,902	542	1,086	5,274	2,202	419	1,340	443
United States veterans:								
World War.....	6,282	508	1,012	4,762	2,134	404	1,329	401
Service-connected disabilities.....	1,245	161	458	620	1,616	265	1,236	116
Nonservice-connected disabilities.....	4,918	336	535	4,047	510	138	91	281
Examination or observation for disability allowance.....	119	11	19	69	8	1	3	4
Wars, occupations, rebellions previous to World War.....	585	30	68	487	53	10	3	40
Civil War.....	43		6	37				
Spanish-American War.....	486	23	60	403	37	6	2	29
Philippine insurrection.....	20	1	1	18	15	4	1	10
All other wars, expeditions, and rebellions.....	36	6	1	29	1			1
Allied veterans.....	28	3	4	21	13	4	8	1
British.....	6	1		5				
Canadian.....	20	2	4	14	12	3	8	1
All others.....	2			2	1	1		
Miscellaneous.....	7	1	2	4	2	1		1

TABLE NO. 19.—Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act 1924, as amended, remaining in hospitals, by sex and color, at the close of each fiscal year 1923-1931

Fiscal year	Grand total	Males			Females, white	Fiscal year	Grand total	Males			Females, white
		Total	White	Colored				Total	White	Colored	
1931	34,948	34,654	32,223	2,431	294	1926	24,915	24,738	23,075	1,663	177
1930	30,311	30,037	27,981	2,086	244	1925	26,610	26,369	24,578	1,791	241
1929	27,487	27,287	25,475	1,812	200	1924	21,730	21,490	20,328	1,162	240
1928	25,899	25,707	23,927	1,780	192	1923	23,611	23,391	22,085	1,306	220
1927	25,310	25,116	23,464	1,652	194						

NOTE.—Patients in United States possessions not included previous to 1927.

TABLE NO. 20.—Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, remaining in hospitals in their home State, by groups of hospitals, and type of patient, at the close of each fiscal year 1924-1931

Fiscal year and groups of hospitals	Type of patient									
	Total		Pulmonary tuberculosis		Psychotic		Other neuro-psychiatric		General	
	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States
1931										
Total	21,537	12,726	3,259	2,733	8,926	5,871	1,401	690	7,951	3,427
United States veterans	13,963	9,699	2,598	2,218	7,279	5,074	715	411	3,371	1,996
National homes	1,160	1,072	205	220	385	512	114	99	456	241
Other government	4,979	1,841	272	263	192	230	486	170	4,029	1,178
State and civil	1,435	114	184	37	1,070	55	86	10	95	12
1930										
Total	17,387	12,381	3,171	2,897	7,328	5,778	1,130	610	5,758	3,096
United States veterans	11,248	9,483	2,416	2,357	5,823	5,065	539	386	2,440	1,675
Other government	4,734	2,786	539	498	439	661	514	217	3,242	1,410
State and civil	1,405	112	186	42	1,066	52	77	7	76	11
1929										
Total	15,459	11,556	2,989	2,945	6,559	5,302	907	601	5,004	2,708
United States veterans	10,253	8,909	2,334	2,368	5,275	4,631	412	393	2,232	1,517
Other government	3,976	2,553	474	533	352	633	417	204	2,733	1,183
State and civil	1,230	94	181	44	932	38	78	4	39	8
1928										
Total	14,404	11,132	2,995	2,903	6,372	4,990	772	629	4,265	2,610
United States veterans	9,468	8,473	2,262	2,293	4,715	4,280	415	444	2,076	1,456
Other government	3,294	2,551	482	558	350	660	306	179	2,156	1,148
State and civil	1,642	108	251	52	1,307	44	51	6	33	6
1927										
Total	14,117	10,848	3,244	3,251	6,436	4,699	740	591	3,697	2,307
United States veterans	8,762	8,165	2,344	2,504	4,106	3,907	402	422	1,910	1,332
Other government	2,923	2,534	556	633	360	717	270	163	1,737	971
State and civil	2,432	149	344	64	1,970	75	68	6	50	4

TABLE NO. 20.—*Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, remaining in hospitals in their home State, by groups of hospitals, and type of patient, at the close of each fiscal year 1924-1931—Continued.*

Fiscal year and groups of hospitals	Type of patient									
	Total		Pulmonary tuberculosis		Psychotic		Other neuro-psychiatric		General	
	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States	Hospitalized in home State	Hospitalized in other States
1926										
Total	13, 634	11, 231	3, 549	2, 759	5, 904	4, 423	997	896	3, 234	2, 153
United States veterans.....	8, 046	7, 997	2, 315	2, 838	3, 429	3, 225	642	678	1, 660	1, 256
Other government.....	2, 747	2, 976	611	779	432	1, 105	215	207	1, 489	885
State and civil.....	2, 881	258	623	112	2, 043	93	140	11	85	12
1925										
Total	14, 429	12, 181	4, 396	4, 918	5, 820	4, 188	962	935	3, 251	2, 140
United States veterans.....	7, 766	8, 381	2, 491	3, 495	3, 126	2, 948	597	691	1, 552	1, 247
Other government.....	3, 184	3, 423	882	1, 192	530	1, 143	223	224	1, 549	64
State and civil.....	3, 479	377	1, 023	231	2, 164	97	142	20	150	29
1924										
Total	11, 723	10, 007	3, 821	4, 261	4, 793	3, 291	709	668	2, 400	1, 787
United States veterans.....	5, 250	6, 452	1, 801	2, 901	1, 920	2, 661	368	485	1, 131	1, 005
Other government.....	2, 494	3, 132	817	1, 095	483	1, 126	163	166	1, 031	745
State and civil.....	3, 979	423	1, 203	265	2, 390	104	173	17	238	37

NOTE.—Patients hospitalized in United States possessions not included. National homes included in other Government hospitals prior to 1931.

TABLE No. 21.—Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, remaining in hospitals June 30, 1931, by State location of hospital, and patients' State of residence

State in which patient is hospitalized	Total	State of residence claimed by patient																							
		Alabama	Arizona	Arkansas	California	Colorado	Connecticut	Delaware	District of Columbia	Florida	Georgia	Idaho	Illinois	Indiana	Iowa	Kansas	Kentucky	Louisiana	Maine	Maryland	Massachusetts	Michigan	Minnesota	Mississippi	Missouri
Grand total	34, 048	736	512	519	2, 078	664	498	45	583	546	753	206	2, 968	793	495	329	506	571	185	467	1, 579	1, 106	1, 003	296	1, 149
Total United States	34, 263	736	512	519	2, 078	664	498	45	583	546	753	206	2, 968	793	495	329	506	571	185	467	1, 579	1, 105	1, 003	296	1, 149
Alabama	590	162	1	18	1	1			7	43	71		2	3	1	3	5	5		4	1			24	6
Arizona	733	4	438	4	61	8			3	1	2		28	8	5	3	3	2	2					5	17
Arkansas	856	31	3	280	4				1	1	3		7	1	2	20	4	22				9			
California	2, 371	2	33	4	1, 911	13		1	1	1			25	11	6	5	3	2		5	8	11	1	16	51
Colorado	1, 144	3	7	25	17	556	3		2	1	4		9	25	11	6	5	3		5	8	11	11	2	19
Connecticut	109						93		8				10	29	41	3		1	1	12	5	12	3		81
Delaware																									
District of Columbia	1, 183	5	1	1	7	2	9	2	480	10	11	3	2		3	2	9	5	1	160	21	6	2	3	4
Florida	421	52			2				282	40															1
Georgia	903	84							80	414															3
Idaho	166										125			1	1			17							
Illinois	3, 670	22	1	15	2	1	2		3	10	13	4	2, 634	222	103	6	33	6		2		190	20	13	27
Indiana	930	8		3	6	3	1		2	3	6	2	36	335	6	25	79	6			4	15	20	3	45
Iowa	710					2							7	2	235	82	4				4	2			250
Kansas	23														4										
Kentucky	553	25		25		1				6	7		22	40	1					7	1	2			17
Louisiana	570	100	1	17						6	16					1	317			1	1	2			18
Maine	89																								
Maryland	1, 007	3		1	1	1	4	14	24	2	16								63	231	18				
Massachusetts	1, 961				2		76		1	2	1								86	1	1, 406	1	2	1	1
Michigan	745				3	2	1		1	1	1											596	4		5
Minnesota	1, 079				1									6	1	2									2
Mississippi	437	82	1	2	1	1				2			1	2	1	1				1					4
Missouri	804	2		20	3	3				10	32									1			890		110
Montana	202				2									64	1	45	101		2	91	1			1	4
Nebraska	163				1	1								1									1	1	543
Nevada																									
New Hampshire	102																			26					
New Jersey	407				1		1	1		2	7			1							1				
New Mexico	326					9	3		1	2	5	1		9	7	3				1	3	5	3	3	9
New York	3, 936	4	13	1	17	2	299	7	7	4	5	1	26	9	1		1	2		3	27	6	4		4
North Carolina	577	50			6	2		2	27	69	1			4						17	2	1			1
North Dakota	48																								

TABLE No. 21.—Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, remaining in hospitals June 30, 1931, by State location of hospital, and patients' State of residence—Continued

State in which patient is hospitalized	Total	State of residence claimed by patient																						
		Alabama	Arizona	Arkansas	California	Colorado	Connecticut	Delaware	District of Columbia	Florida	Georgia	Idaho	Illinois	Indiana	Iowa	Kansas	Kentucky	Louisiana	Maine	Maryland	Massachusetts	Michigan	Minnesota	Mississippi	Missouri
Ohio.....	1,140	6		2	1	1	1		2	8		2	79	1		128	5			1	23		2	
Oklahoma.....	302		1	40								1	1	1	8			1					2	2
Oregon.....	280				3																			
Pennsylvania.....	1,689	1					17	2	1	7			1			1			4	2		1		
Rhode Island.....	127																							
South Carolina.....	31																						1	
South Dakota.....	82																						26	
Tennessee.....	329	82		13				4	8	5						3			5	2	1		1	
Texas.....	818	6	6	44	3	3		5	5	4	1	12	6	1	4	3	26			2		1	10	23
Utah.....	2																							
Vermont.....	2																				1			
Virginia.....	639							4		4									4					
Washington.....	831		2	1	14	3					50	5	2	1	2					1	3	1	1	1
West Virginia.....	2																							
Wisconsin.....	746											39	4	3							208	2		1
Wyoming.....	443		4	3	6	53	1			1	6	2	1	8	11	2				1	1	4	1	13
Total possessions.....	685																				1			
Alaska.....	4																							
Canal Zone.....	47																							
Hawaii.....	77																							
Philippine Islands.....	179																							
Porto Rico.....	378																							

State of residence claimed by patient—Continued

State in which patient is hospitalized	Montana	Nebraska	Nevada	New Hampshire	New Jersey	New Mexico	New York	North Carolina	North Dakota	Ohio	Oklahoma	Oregon	Pennsylvania	Rhode Island	South Carolina	South Dakota	Tennessee	Texas	Utah	Vermont	Virginia	Washington	West Virginia	Wisconsin	Wyoming	Unknown or outside United States
Grand total.....	277	314	45	177	746	223	3,422	544	152	1,097	477	378	2,315	236	344	173	482	1,266	99	99	802	670	396	653	140	844
Total United States.....	277	314	45	177	746	223	3,422	544	152	1,097	477	378	2,315	236	344	173	482	1,266	99	99	802	669	396	653	140	161
Alabama.....				1			42	2		9			2		44		29	29			14	1	6			
Arizona.....	3	1			9	3	16	2	2	16	8		5	14	1	1	2	4	11	1	3	7	2	6		4
Arkansas.....		2			1	6	2	2	2	3	91			1			17	275	2			1	1			3
California.....	5	6	32		2	12	30	2	5	12	12	11		15	1	1	6	43	22	1	3	18	2	8	3	30
Colorado.....	3	18	1	1	7	14	23	3	3	8	39			11	1	1	8	39	9		5	2	7	8	72	7
Connecticut.....							1																			
Delaware.....																										
District of Columbia.....	1	1		4	12		61	27		17	2			59	5		14	7		5	122	2	67	4		16
Florida.....							1	18						1	21			2			1					
Georgia.....							2	82		2				3	81		103	5			6	1				
Idaho.....			4				1												28						1	
Illinois.....		9	1		1	4	7	6	4	111	18		1	19		6	16	29	2		1	6	8	84	3	6
Indiana.....	2	15			2	1	12	9	3	129	5			52		2	36	21			3	1	9	14	1	7
Iowa.....		48				1	3	1	5	2	4			1		4	1	9				1		3		7
Kansas.....																										
Kentucky.....							3	16		28				7			51	3			7	1	52	2		1
Louisiana.....		1			1		3	3		2	7			3		2	3	38					1	2		1
Maine.....				2			2								1											
Maryland.....					11		22	80		7	1			386	5	5	13	2			57					11
Massachusetts.....				98	7		43	3		1				5	133	1	1			84			96			6
Michigan.....							7			31				6			2	1						15		3
Minnesota.....					2		1			3				2			40						1			2
Mississippi.....	3	3					2	2	2					1		9		37					14		3	
Missouri.....		6				1								1			8	2								2
Montana.....	181				1				2													4			5	1
Nebraska.....		132										1				1										
Nevada.....																										
New Hampshire.....			1	69			6	2							7		1			5		1	1			
New Jersey.....					370		7							3			1				1	1	1			
New Mexico.....	2			1	4	100	7	2	2	7	5	1		12	1	2	30		1	3	2	1		2		17
New York.....				2	267		3,084	7		3				141	5	5	2				4		3			2
North Carolina.....					9		58	113		9				19		51	33				37		14			2
North Dakota.....									47																	
Ohio.....		1			1		7	7		676				76		3	9	2			4		92			
Oklahoma.....						2					242						91									
Oregon.....												204										70				3
Pennsylvania.....		1					12	6		16			1,460	1	2		1				2		16			3
Rhode Island.....														77												3
South Carolina.....															31											
South Dakota.....	1	24							4							46								1	1	

TABLE NO. 21.—Patients of the Veterans' Administration, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, remaining in hospitals June 30, 1931, by State location of hospital, and patients' State of residence—Continued

State in which patient is hospitalized	State of residence claimed by patient—Continued																	Un-known or outside United States								
	Montana	Nebraska	Nevada	New Hampshire	New Jersey	New Mexico	New York	North Carolina	North Dakota	Ohio	Oklahoma	Oregon	Pennsylvania	Rhode Island	South Carolina	South Dakota	Tennessee		Texas	Utah	Vermont	Virginia	Washington	West Virginia	Wisconsin	Wyoming
Tennessee.....							20						2		55		91				9		3			
Texas.....					2	55	3			6	26							541								
Utah.....													4													
Vermont.....																				1						
Virginia.....								88					1								516		14	1		
Washington.....	4	1	2		4	1	2	1	2		2	146	1		4				5	1		1	549		2	3
West Virginia.....																										
Wisconsin.....										3	1							1						482		
Wyoming.....	72	45	4				23	4										39	32			1	3		3	51
Total possessions.....																						1				
Alaska.....																										683
Canal Zone.....																							1			3
Hawaii.....																										47
Philippine Islands.....																										76
Porto Rico.....																										179
																										378

NOTE.—116 allied veterans and 75 miscellaneous beneficiaries not included.

TABLE NO. 22.—Discharges from all hospitals of Veterans' Administration patients, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by class of disease and results of treatment, showing average days hospitalized, fiscal year 1931

Class of disease	Grand total		Results of treatment																	
			Total						Recovered or cured						Improved					
			Complete hospitalization			Incomplete hospitalization			Complete hospitalization			Incomplete hospitalization			Complete hospitalization			Incomplete hospitalization		
	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent		
Total.....	105,159	84.1	88,374	63.1	84.04	16,755	195.1	15.96	7,497	31.0	7.13	99	50.9	0.09	55,976	67.1	53.23	7,064	163.2	6.72
Abnormalities and congenital malformations.....	115	53.3	104	55.8	90.43	11	30.3	9.57	8	31.6	6.95				51	83.2	44.35	2	38.5	1.74
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	349	80.3	304	77.9	87.11	45	96.4	12.89	2	53.0	.57				225	88.6	65.33	24	171.1	6.88

TABLE NO. 22.—Discharges from all hospitals of Veterans' Administration patients, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by class of disease and results of treatment, showing average days hospitalized, fiscal year 1931—Continued

Class of disease	Results of treatment—Continued														
	Unimproved						Condition not stated						Died		
	Complete hospitaliza- tion			Incomplete hospitaliza- tion			Complete hospitaliza- tion			Incomplete hospitaliza- tion			Complete hospitaliza- tion		
	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent
	Total	3, 147	122.7	2.99	5, 051	408.9	4.80	16, 545	15.7	15.73	4, 571	11.2	4.35	5, 209	180.6	4.96
Abnormalities and congenital malformations.....	7	95.0	6.09	3	71.7	2.61	38	16.7	33.04	6	6.8	5.22			
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	6	64.0	1.72	10	17.7	2.86	23	19.2	6.59	11	5.2	3.15	45	56.4	12.90
Bones and cartilages.....	72	33.5	2.55	54	63.6	1.91	212	15.9	7.51	61	9.3	2.16	32	76.8	1.14
Circulatory system.....	209	62.5	4.22	132	52.1	2.07	891	17.2	13.96	158	10.9	2.48	723	58.0	11.93
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	6	37.1	.41	10	32.3	.68	24	21.7	1.64	9	7.7	.62	55	101.6	3.76
Constitutional defects.....	185	95.4	13.16	57	217.2	4.05	719	25.0	51.14				19	347.3	1.35
Dental.....	8	14.9	.71	3	19.7	.27	353	15.0	31.32	127	8.7	11.27			
Digestive system.....	181	37.1	1.11	135	31.0	.83	1, 703	15.7	10.46	390	10.3	2.39	321	41.3	1.97
Ear, nose, and throat.....	136	27.8	1.20	56	26.7	.50	897	13.8	7.94	416	8.5	3.68	30	29.6	.27
Endocrines.....	46	96.6	2.70	39	40.7	2.28	199	14.1	11.66	34	10.5	1.99	56	54.9	3.28
Eye and annexa.....	85	46.7	4.76	28	52.6	1.57	386	16.5	21.63	71	16.6	3.98	2	13.0	.11
Genito-urinary system.....	113	51.0	2.40	79	40.6	1.67	485	16.6	10.28	114	9.1	2.42	347	58.3	7.56
Hernia.....	16	37.4	.43	8	25.4	.22	219	11.6	5.94	119	7.8	3.23	20	22.4	.54
Joints and bursae.....	215	69.0	3.75	92	50.7	1.61	623	15.7	10.87	112	11.9	1.96	26	314.1	4.45
Lymphatic system.....	8	33.9	2.08	10	39.5	2.60	40	15.4	10.39	15	15.9	3.89	18	59.1	4.68
Muscles, fasciae, tendons, and tendon sheaths.....	23	41.3	2.80	6	28.0	.73	91	17.3	11.07	17	7.6	2.07			
Nervous diseases (functional).....	244	59.6	5.81	103	56.8	2.57	1, 747	19.5	41.57	75	14.4	1.78	6	40.5	.14
Nervous diseases (organic).....	267	92.7	8.88	102	152.7	3.40	426	20.5	14.18	62	15.5	2.06	146	202.1	4.86
Obstetrical and gynecological conditions.....							2	25.0	4.45				1	25.0	2.22
Parasitic diseases.....	3	8.0	.48	3	21.3	.48	52	16.9	8.35	12	9.3	1.93	3	42.7	.48
Poisonings and intoxications.....	12	21.6	2.09	9	54.1	2.09	15	21.1	3.49	7	8.7	1.63	18	16.1	4.19
Psychiatric diseases.....	377	307.6	8.54	1, 467	1, 014.0	33.23	282	22.2	6.39	238	11.2	5.39	405	753.7	9.17
Respiratory system.....	220	77.0	4.20	131	77.0	2.50	872	17.6	16.62	92	13.2	1.75	361	33.0	6.88
Skin and its appendages.....	49	49.1	2.82	20	46.7	1.15	127	13.3	7.31	35	10.9	2.02	10	93.4	.58
Tuberculosis, pulmonary.....	278	399.1	2.52	2, 186	217.8	19.82	1, 723	18.5	15.62	1, 079	16.6	9.78	1, 902	218.7	17.24
Tuberculosis, other than pulmonary.....	34	74.4	6.03	58	168.7	10.38	64	15.9	11.45	22	14.6	3.93	56	155.1	10.02
Tumors.....	122	50.4	4.20	109	64.3	3.75	363	10.4	12.50	132	15.3	4.55	474	60.2	16.32
Veneral diseases.....	88	61.3	2.83	95	65.0	3.03	291	16.0	9.37	111	11.1	3.57	71	141.3	2.28
Miscellaneous.....	77	67.9	1.47	41	107.5	.78	1, 258	15.4	23.96	949	6.3	18.07	62	143.7	1.18

Under observation, disease not found:													
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	400	19.5	98.28	7	17.3	1.72							
Neuropsychiatric diseases	132	23.9	71.35	53	17.0	28.65							
General diseases	140	13.0	97.22	4	3.3	2.78							
Special examination only:													
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	1	18.0	100.00										
Neuropsychiatric diseases	30	5.8	100.00										
General diseases	1,717	2.8	98.11	33	4.2	1.89							

NOTE.—Incomplete hospitalizations are the patients discharged to out-patient office or home treatment; transferred to other hospitals for further treatment; against advice of medical officer; left without permission and for disciplinary reasons.

TABLE No. 23.—Movement of patient population, fiscal year, 1931

[Patients hospitalized under authority of World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended]

Hospitals	Admissions				Discharges							
					Total		Hospitalization complete		Disposition of incomplete hospitalizations			
	Patients	Average days	Patients	Average days					To out-patient office or home treatment		Transferred to other hospitals for further treatment	
					Patients	Average days	Patients	Average days				
Grand total	109,649	60,687	46,792	2,170	105,159	64.1	88,374	63.1	193	211.7	3,695	489.7
Veterans' hospitals	53,601	27,530	24,111	1,960	50,746	110.7	41,341	78.3	124	264.2	1,926	699.6
Alexandria, La.....	1,868	980	911	7	1,872	55.1	1,526	50.1	4	61.5	11	166.6
American Lake, Wash.....	148	52	91	5	108	577.9	82	604.4			8	460.8
Aspinwall, Pa.....	306	157	126	23	300	226.8	135	261.1	4	337.3	29	157.1
Atlanta, Ga.....	1,774	861	906	7	1,572	34.6	1,396	35.2	3	85.3	41	47.6
Augusta, Ga.....	156	59	87	10	149	413.4	113	319.4			5	1,796.6
Bedford, Mass.....	205	81	32	92	47	334.0	42	306.4			3	624.7
Boise, Idaho.....	1,248	674	573	1	1,252	50.6	1,038	45.7	4	151.5	31	35.7
Bronx, N. Y.....	317	115	98	104	376	621.3	237	286.6			98	1,593.5
Camp Custer, Mich.....	117	60	53	4	95	650.5	56	42.9	1	19.0	16	1,559.0
Castle Point, N. Y.....	551	249	268	34	513	261.9	279	282.1	3	425.3	31	428.9
Chillicothe, Ohio.....	556	331	219	6	584	133.7	541	131.7			3	544.0
Cincinnati (Ohio) Diagnostic Center.....	598	143	450	5	597	12.6	595	12.5			1	28.0
Coatesville, Pa.....	512	77	21	414	34	72.6	23	72.5			1	148.0
Dwight, Ill.....	1,496	935	560	1	1,510	43.3	1,430	43.4	1	36.0	30	73.2
Edw. Hines, jr., Hines, Ill.....	5,581	2,800	2,607	174	4,966	73.7	4,359	68.9	8	101.1	136	197.7
Edw. Hines, jr., Diagnostic Center.....	224	56	160	8	173	25.7	168	25.9			3	27.0
Excelsior Springs, Mo.....	1,464	1,036	425	3	1,234	24.2	1,109	24.7			6	63.7
Fargo, N. Dak.....	555	369	186		551	29.4	517	29.4	1	67.0	8	27.9
Fort Bayard, N. Mex.....	557	176	363	18	607	232.1	299	222.3	5	644.2	18	330.8
Fort Harrison, Mont.....	1,231	631	594	6	1,219	62.7	1,046	57.8	2	77.0	14	243.2
Fort Lyon, Colo.....	1,197	606	504	87	1,067	118.1	773	96.6	1	99.0	43	266.2
Gulfport, Miss.....	312	128	171	13	327	242.1	278	241.2			10	563.4
Jefferson Barracks, Mo.....	1,507	876	625	6	1,473	78.1	1,181	79.7			22	158.1
Kansas City, Mo.....	1,353	794	550	9	1,369	44.4	1,233	42.4	4	68.3	40	112.3
Knoxville, Iowa.....	92	44	35	13	88	652.0	60	590.8			14	1,199.0

Lake City, Fla.	2,339	1,223	1,107	9	2,378	42.5	2,026	44.2	2	387.0	58	66.1
Legion, Tex.	749	338	390	21	717	190.7	190.7	192.1	3	424.0	20	270.0
Lexington, Ky.	844	226	121	3	181	14.7	165	15.0			3	21.0
Lincoln, Nebr.	524	379	143	2	362	35.5	296	38.6			3	42.0
Livermore, Calif.	452	194	243	15	458	252.2	209	242.0			26	451.2
Lyons, N. J.	493	137	85	271	111	42.3	89	46.4			9	34.2
Memphis, Tenn.	3,694	2,288	1,401	5	3,754	28.4	3,253	30.2	1	104.0	57	29.1
Minneapolis, Minn.	2,370	1,413	957		2,325	82.1	2,070	73.5	5	355.8	57	80.7
Muskogee, Okla.	3,057	1,805	1,246	6	3,054	42.4	2,747	40.6	4	105.0	57	119.6
Newington, Conn.	197	107	97		97	16.5	89	17.4	1	2.0		
North Chicago, Ill.	426	117	270	39	139	317.4	90	344.0			9	326.9
North Little Rock, Ark.	257	109	119	29	256	369.7	213	364.4	2	1,138.5	7	937.0
Northampton, Mass.	88	37	36	15	96	1,021.4	40	385.5			52	1,577.4
Northport, Long Island, N. Y.	297	123	95	79	297	555.6	126	262.5			158	829.5
Oteen, N. C.	1,156	522	526	108	1,138	183.8	754	153.0	2	304.0	25	326.2
Outwood, Ky.	1,109	539	549	21	1,141	100.5	633	49.7	6	414.5	39	183.6
Palo Alto, Calif.	287	100	121	66	277	311.3	232	306.0			17	354.5
Palo Alto (Calif.) Diagnostic Center	354	82	253	19	365	27.4	335	27.5			23	31.7
Perry Point, Md.	584	299	274	11	613	659.2	369	187.7			189	1,746.9
Philadelphia, Pa.	278	176	79	23	276	1,168.6	66	404.0			195	1,491.7
Portland, Oreg.	2,461	1,408	1,037	6	2,482	40.6	2,344	36.0	2	74.0	47	283.6
Rutland Heights, Mass.	491	151	306	34	530	225.9	295	233.0	9	352.1	15	589.5
St. Cloud, Minn.	82	32	20	30	84	427.3	58	449.1	1	435.0	16	470.9
San Fernando, Calif.	216	50	149	17	224	310.7	133	315.2	1	155.0	17	444.6
Sheridan, Wyo.	147	76	66	5	154	820.1	98	452.2			47	1,616.8
Sunmount, N. Y.	367	195	167	5	359	307.2	221	316.5	5	425.2	10	444.4
Tucson, Ariz.	391	76	305	10	406	210.4	266	22.9	16	197.4	24	286.6
Tuskegee, Ala.	919	553	354	12	919	133.0	724	129.7	5	109.8	6	315.5
Walla Walla, Wash.	864	444	417	3	841	83.7	671	61.5			21	144.1
Washington, D. C.	1,638	488	1,118	32	1,617	33.5	1,500	32.4	2	16.0	41	82.4
Waukesha, Wis.	1,426	901	524	1	1,424	58.4	1,339	57.6	1	29.0	16	139.3
Whipple, Ariz.	1,599	658	928	13	1,558	130.1	1,005	89.8	15	321.9	40	271.0
National homes	5,293	3,248	2,014	31	4,780	115.6	3,653	76.9	7	449.3	84	1,332.6
Marine hospitals	7,966	4,866	3,098	1	7,758	37.3	6,926	37.5	14	50.9	135	69.7
Army hospitals	12,093	6,736	5,305	52	12,072	61.2	10,266	56.0	33	106.8	314	133.2
Naval hospitals	25,490	15,691	9,785	14	24,743	42.8	22,185	42.9	6	81.7	646	63.4
Interior Department	79	48	31		94	1,525.1	47	858.5			39	2,632.4
State hospitals	301	85	215	1	327	478.6	145	350.3			171	608.6
Civil hospitals	4,826	2,483	2,232	111	4,639	62.8	3,811	47.6	9	24.0	360	135.1

TABLE No. 23.—Movement of patient population, fiscal year, 1931—Continued

Hospitals	Discharges—Continued						Surgical operations	Patients remaining in hospitals June 30, 1931				
	Disposition of incomplete hospitalizations—Continued							Total	Pulmonary tuberculosis	Psychotic	Other neuropsychiatric	General
	Discharged against advice of medical officer in charge		Left without permission		Discharged for disciplinary reasons							
	Patients	Average days	Patients	Average days	Patients	Average days						
Grand total	5,703	98.9	6,034	126.8	1,160	106.5	57,749	34,948	6,193	14,890	2,111	11,754
Veterans' hospitals	3,294	110.5	3,400	162.1	661	131.7	29,781	23,662	4,816	12,363	1,126	5,867
Alexandria, La.....	221	62.2	96	102.9	12	68.8	414	393	129	74	26	164
American Lake, Wash.....	7	352.7	11	609.2			4	493	1	475	9	9
Aspinwall, Pa.....	53	248.5	71	153.8	8	350.6	7	202	170			32
Atlanta, Ga.....	67	18.0	57	27.2	8	33.6	347	203	2	7	26	163
Augusta, Ga.....	20	476.1	11	636.2			13	597	4	566	18	9
Bedford, Mass.....			2	476.0			10	632		615	17	
Boise, Idaho.....	109	77.2	55	71.2	15	121.9	544	166	20	5	23	113
Bronx, N. Y.....	22	188.5	19	291.6			30	929		833	69	27
Camp Custer, Mich.....	8	370.5	14	719.4			14	613		586	23	4
Castle Point, N. Y.....	47	270.7	130	178.9	23	220.9	47	432	417			15
Chillicothe, Ohio.....	15	24.7	20	222.9	5	72.8	136	613	2	561	28	22
Cincinnati (Ohio) Diagnostic Center.....	1	33.0					2	27				27
Coatesville, Pa.....	3	65.7	7	65.1				478	1	470	6	1
Dwight, Ill.....	14	22.1	27	17.9	8	47.3	539	174	1	1	13	159
Edw. Hines, jr., Hines, Ill.....	150	69.2	265	87.4	78	83.2	5,272	1,465	219	96	203	947
Edw. Hines, jr. Diagnostic Center.....	2	5.5					27	51	1	19	3	28
Excelsior Springs, Mo.....	67	15.4	51	19.9	1	2.0	649	230	12	5	14	193
Fargo, N. Dak.....	19	22.4	3	63.7	3	32.0	440	46	3		5	35
Fort Bayard, N. Mex.....	61	227.2	199	233.6	25	195.1	198	326	236	1	5	84
Fort Harrison, Mont.....	94	55.7	40	92.8	23	150.1	393	202	28	3	11	160
Fort Lyon, Colo.....	110	141.1	134	167.1	6	316.8	1,230	499	241	106	21	131
Gulfport, Miss.....	20	67.9	19	370.2			70	435	1	391	36	7
Jefferson Barracks, Mo.....	80	58.5	134	55.7	56	103.1	1,154	383	33	51	39	260
Kansas City, Mo.....	35	45.3	43	32.9	14	58.2	655	153	19	12	17	105
Knoxville, Iowa.....	6	252.0	8	453.9				706		684	12	10
Lake City, Fla.....	239	20.9	34	35.7	19	40.7	1,574	257	7	10	31	209

Legion, Tex.	95	105.2	215	218.2	15	146.9	75	389	389						
Lexington, Ky.	8	11.3	5	2.8			95	163	1	1					153
Lincoln, Nebr.	51	18.1	11	24.9	1	92.0	288	162	7	3				31	121
Livermore, Calif.	137	270.3	78	192.7	8	139.5	97	263	257						6
Lyons, N. J.	9	26.0	3	7.7	1	3.0	25	382			324			36	22
Memphis, Tenn.	335	10.9	65	24.7	43	24.2		25						3	15
Minneapolis, Minn.	85	131.6	86	215.8	22	125.0	1,785	566	188		145			49	284
Muskogee, Okla.	96	23.4	120	55.9	30	62.8	1,787	336	18		14			30	274
Newington, Conn.	5	6.0	2	8.5			29	100			1			5	94
North Chicago, Ill.	23	106.8	17	456.1			6	953	2		924			17	10
North Little Rock, Ark.	15	177.0	19	291.9			26	762	1		741			16	4
Northampton, Mass.	1	96.0	3	173.0			4	538			516			17	5
Northport, Long Island, N. Y.	9	49.1	4	109.8			40	935			921			13	1
Oteen, N. C.	122	235.0	224	228.7	11	462.5	245	571	535						36
Outwood, Ky.	203	138.7	254	177.4	6	61.3	149	320	300						20
Palo Alto, Calif.	18	179.9	10	597.2			126	864							37
Palo Alto (Calif.) Diagnostic Center	5	10.6	2	6.5			91	27	6		809			17	3
Perry Point, Md.	41	22.5	14	267.6			32	980	3		1			3	17
Philadelphia, Pa.	6	39.7	8	585.0	1	59.0	28	391			887			67	23
Portland, Oreg.	53	29.7	35	36.8			1,565	280	15		380			6	5
Rutland Heights, Mass.	93	232.5	88	143.1	30	159.0	654	344	332		20			43	202
St. Cloud, Minn.	4	166.5	5	242.6			506	506			492			4	10
San Fernando, Calif.	56	309.5	17	155.5			629	219	202					4	13
Sheridan, Wyo.			9	665.2			18	443	6		431			3	3
Sunmount, N. Y.	53	253.1	36	280.8	34	285.4	696	366	363					3	3
Tucson, Ariz.	29	196.7	66	131.7	5	339.4	587	211	177					2	32
Tuskegee, Ala.	39	46.3	123	165.7	22	109.4	762	563	117		262			39	145
Walla Walla, Wash.	66	205.7	47	191.4	36	98.0	675	242	135		4			9	94
Washington, D. C.	32	8.5	29	13.4	13	110.9	585	155						3	152
Waukesha, Wis.	29	67.4	25	25.2	14	84.4	1,281	197						11	186
Whipple, Ariz.	106	222.5	328	192.1	64	159.5	442	516	228		3			23	262
National homes	520	109.4	483	191.5	33	218.3	1,753	2,232	425		597			213	697
Marine hospitals	410	23.1	216	33.4	57	44.1	6,338	968	47					88	829
Army hospitals	596	93.8	733	73.3	130	37.6	7,460	1,984	349		44			132	1,439
Naval hospitals	644	18.6	1,011	39.4	251	61.8	11,169	3,601	141		62			432	2,966
Interior Department			8	43.1			5	334	1		312			6	15
State hospitals	6	128.3	5	173.0			3	1,077			1,023			43	11
Civil hospitals	233	156.6	178	108.9	28	88.4	1,240	1,110	414		195			71	430

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TABLE NO. 24.—Discharges from all hospitals of Veterans' Administration patients, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, by results of treatment and type of patient, fiscal year 1931

Results of treatment	Type of patient											
	Total			Pulmonary tuberculosis			Neuropsychiatric			General		
	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent	Cases	Average days	Per cent
Grand total.....	105,159	84.1	100.00	11,439	202.6	100.00	14,952	213.0	100.00	78,768	42.5	100.00
Hospitalization complete.....	88,374	63.1	84.04	5,728	199.4	50.07	11,939	120.4	79.85	70,707	42.4	89.77
Patient discharged—												
Recovered or cured.....	7,497	31.0	7.13				155	96.8	1.04	7,342	29.6	9.32
Arrested.....	482	515.5	.46	482	515.5	4.21						
Apparently arrested.....	79	271.3	.08	79	271.3	.69						
Quiescent.....	88	505.0	.08	88	505.0	.77						
Improved.....	55,827	62.2	52.61	775	336.8	6.77	6,498	127.2	43.46	48,054	49.0	61.01
Unimproved.....	3,147	122.7	2.99	278	399.1	2.43	1,119	158.5	7.48	1,750	55.9	2.23
Died.....	5,209	180.6	4.96	1,902	218.7	16.63	632	545.3	4.23	2,675	67.4	3.40
Condition not stated.....	16,545	15.7	15.73	2,124	18.7	18.57	3,535	20.7	23.64	10,886	13.5	13.82
Hospitalization incomplete.....	16,785	195.1	15.96	5,711	205.9	49.93	3,013	580.1	20.15	8,061	43.4	10.23
Patient discharged—												
Apparently recovered or cured.....	99	50.9	.09				11	72.8	.07	88	48.1	.11
Improved.....	7,064	163.2	6.72	2,439	279.6	21.32	766	284.5	5.12	3,859	65.5	4.90
Unimproved.....	15,051	408.9	4.80	2,186	217.8	19.11	1,773	859.1	11.86	1,092	60.3	1.38
Condition not stated.....	4,571	11.2	4.35	1,086	16.6	9.50	403	12.9	3.10	3,022	9.1	3.84

¹ Includes 93 terminal cases discharged with unfavorable prognosis.

TABLE No. 25.—Comparison of principal causes of death in all hospitals of Veterans' Administration patients, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, fiscal years 1926-1931

Cause of death ¹	Fiscal year of death					
	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927	1926
Total.....	5,209	4,635	4,327	3,831	3,523	3,412
General diseases:						
Typhoid fever.....	5		5	1	2	2
Malaria.....	3	2				
Scarlet fever.....		3				
Diphtheria and croup.....	1	1		1		
Influenza.....	6	2	12	2	1	1
Dysentery.....	2	3	2	4	2	
Leprosy.....	1	1	2	1		
Yellow fever.....					1	
Erysipelas.....	7	4	5	3	3	3
Other epidemic diseases.....				1	1	
Purulent infection and septicemia.....	40	35	36	30	31	24
Tetanus.....	2				1	1
Pellagra.....	13	9	9	9	5	6
Mycoses.....	1	5	3	3	2	1
Beriberi.....					1	
Tuberculosis of the lungs.....	1,547	1,582	1,623	1,753	1,733	1,850
Acute miliary tuberculosis.....	413	330	258	178	131	110
Tuberculous meningitis.....	15	26	32	27	29	26
Abdominal tuberculosis.....	7	18	5	11	13	14
Pott's disease.....	9	2	12	8	1	14
White swellings.....	13	12	9	15	6	8
Tuberculosis of other organs.....	1	4	1	2	4	3
Disseminated tuberculosis.....	59	41	40	21	21	23
Syphilis.....	3				1	
Gonococcus infection.....	29	31	23	16	10	7
Cancer and other malignant tumors of the buccal cavity.....	133	119	75	64	46	35
Cancer and other malignant tumors of the stomach, liver.....						
Cancer and other malignant tumors of the peritoneum, intestines, rectum.....	69	42	42	36	29	14
Cancer and other malignant tumors of the female genital organs.....	5	2	1	5	1	
Cancer and other malignant tumors of the breast.....	2		1			
Cancer and other malignant tumors of the skin.....	11	11	5	3	5	2
Cancer and other malignant tumors of other organs, or of organs not specified.....	211	147	140	96	98	76
Other tumors (tumors of the female genital organs excepted).....	1	3	4	1	1	1
Acute articular rheumatism.....	4	3				
Chronic rheumatism and gout.....	3		3	2	2	3
Diabetes.....	33	24	22	22	16	13
Exophthalmic goiter.....	2	6		3	2	5
Addison's disease.....	4	8	2	1	1	2
Leukemia.....	38	36	28	20	22	20
Anemia.....	22	22	20	18	17	22
Other general diseases.....	4	5	8	6	10	6
Alcoholism (acute or chronic).....	18	12	3	6	5	10
Other chronic poisonings.....			2			
Diseases of the nervous system and of the organs of special sense:						
Encephalitis.....	20	24	23	14	11	10
Simple meningitis.....	39	31	25	23	21	12
Locomotor ataxia.....	5	3	1	4	1	3
Other diseases of the spinal cord.....	49	24	27	18	19	14
Cerebral hemorrhage, apoplexy.....	64	68	71	59	56	42
Softening of the brain.....			1			
Paralysis without specified cause.....	14	11	11	7	10	2
General paralysis of the insane.....	150	135	116	124	121	149
Other forms of mental alienation.....	14	19	17	11	18	31
Epilepsy.....	16	9	11	14	9	7
Convulsions (nonpuerperal).....			1	1		2
Chorea.....		1		1		
Neuralgia and neuritis.....			1			
Other diseases of the nervous system.....	41	40	31	24	20	21
Diseases of the ears.....	1					
Diseases of the eyes and their annexa.....				1		
Diseases of the circulatory system:						
Pericarditis.....	12	11	13	5	6	10
Acute endocarditis.....	49	52	36	32	23	19
Organic diseases of the heart.....	488	455	418	318	257	210
Angina pectoris.....	6	5	4	6	6	1
Diseases of the arteries, atheroma, aneurysm, etc.....	177	112	86	61	45	26
Embolism and thrombosis.....	39	37	30	22	19	18
Diseases of the veins (varices, hemorrhoids, phlebitis, etc.).....		3	4	1	1	1
Diseases of the lymphatic system (lymphangitis, etc.).....	3	1	1	4		1
Hemorrhage; other diseases of the circulatory system.....	10	10	6	8	5	10

¹ Causes of death classified according to second revision of International List of Causes of Death.

TABLE No. 25.—Comparison of principal causes of death in all hospitals of Veterans' Administration patients, hospitalized under authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended, fiscal years 1926-1931—Continued.

Cause of death	Fiscal year of death					
	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927	1926
Diseases of the respiratory system:						
Diseases of the nasal fossa.....					1	
Diseases of the larynx.....	2	2	1			
Diseases of the thyroid body.....	8	9	5	2	2	
Acute bronchitis.....	1		1			1
Chronic bronchitis.....	6	4	5	8	4	4
Broncho-pneumonia.....	137	117	135	75	68	49
Pneumonia.....	219	147	151	100	87	79
Pleurisy.....	22	17	24	12	12	7
Pulmonary congestion, pulmonary apoplexy.....	26	29	26	25	27	24
Gangrene of the lung.....	6	3	1	5		5
Asthma.....	10	7	6	10	5	1
Pulmonary emphysema.....		1	1		1	
Other diseases of the respiratory system (tuberculosis excepted).....	47	41	38	18	24	21
Diseases of the digestive system:						
Diseases of the mouth and annexa.....	1	1	2	1	2	2
Diseases of the pharynx.....	2	5	3	2	2	
Diseases of the esophagus.....		2	1		1	
Ulcer of the stomach.....	26	18	10	6	8	5
Other diseases of the stomach (cancer excepted).....	9	9	6	11	15	6
Diarrhea and enteritis.....	35	36	25	18	14	11
Appendicitis and typhlitis.....	32	31	25	14	6	10
Hernia, intestinal obstruction.....	22	34	17	21	18	10
Other diseases of the intestines.....	18	10	13	4	5	8
Acute yellow atrophy of the liver.....	2		3	2	3	1
Cirrhosis of the liver.....	67	33	24	20	17	10
Biliary calculi.....		1	2		3	2
Other diseases of the liver.....	22	19	27	23	9	12
Diseases of the spleen.....	4	1	1	2	1	
Simple peritonitis (nonpuerperal).....	44	45	45	24	21	25
Other diseases of the digestive system (cancer and tuberculosis excepted).....	9	8	5	8	2	3
Nonvenereal diseases of the genito-urinary system and annexa:						
Acute nephritis.....	86	18	22	11	15	8
Bright's disease.....	266	216	207	159	129	112
Other diseases of the kidneys and annexa.....	32	21	24	13	11	10
Diseases of the bladder.....	7	8	4	6	3	3
Calculi of the urinary passages.....	10	5		4	3	
Diseases of the urethra, urinary abscess, etc.....	3	3	3	2	1	2
Diseases of the prostate.....	13	24	6	6	1	
Uterine hemorrhage (nonpuerperal).....		2				
Uterine tumor (noncancerous).....	1					
Diseases of the skin and of the cellular tissue:						
Gangrene.....	8	3	9	3	5	4
Furuncle.....	3					
Acute abscess.....	7	5	4	6	1	2
Other diseases of the skin and annexa.....	5	7	3	1	1	
Diseases of the bones and of the organs of locomotion:						
Diseases of the bones (tuberculosis excepted).....	9	9	5	4	5	4
Diseases of the joints (tuberculosis and rheumatism excepted).....	2	4	3		1	1
Other diseases of the organs of locomotion.....				2		
Old age: Senility.....	3	5	2	6	1	
External causes:						
Suicide by poison.....	2	2	1	1		3
Suicide by asphyxia.....		1				1
Suicide by hanging or strangulation.....	7	7	1	5	8	8
Suicide by drowning.....	1			1	1	2
Suicide by firearms.....	3	1	3	5		3
Suicide by cutting or piercing instruments.....	2	2	2	2	2	3
Suicide by jumping from high places.....	4	3	1	2	1	1
Suicide by crushing.....		1	1		1	
Other suicides.....	2	2	1	5	2	5
Poisoning by food.....		1				
Acute poisonings.....	8	4	6	6	6	6
Burns (conflagration excepted).....	6	2	4			3
Accidental drowning.....	2		2	1		1
Absorption of deleterious gases (conflagration excepted).....	2	1	2	1		2
Traumatism by firearms.....	4		1		2	3
Traumatism by cutting or piercing instruments.....	1				1	
Traumatism by fall.....		2	3	2	2	1
Traumatism by crushing (vehicles, railways, landslides, etc.).....	5	2	5	1	4	7
Starvation.....				1	1	
Effects of heat.....	3			1	1	
Homicide by firearms.....			1	1	1	
Homicide by cutting or piercing instruments.....	1		1			
Fractures, cause not specified.....	5	4	2	4	5	7
Other external violence.....	3	12	3	5	8	7
Ill-defined diseases: Cause of death not specified, or ill defined.....	26	15	15	24	24	15

COMPENSATION TABLES

TABLE No. 26.—Summary of regional activities

Regional offices	Status of compensation claims as of June 30, 1931					Adjudication of compensation claims, fiscal year 1931	Medical and dental treatments and examinations during fiscal year 1931			
	Total	Active	Disallowed	Terminated	Pending		Individuals treated	Treatments	Individuals examined	Examinations
Total.....	889, 233	301, 649	429, 947	130, 830	26, 807	402, 850	243, 038	829, 040	821, 569	1, 933, 698
Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	6, 582	3, 177	2, 681	672	52	6, 355	6, 385	10, 260	15, 331	17, 500
Baltimore, Md.....	9, 939	3, 524	4, 598	1, 617	200	2, 946	3, 423	14, 030	7, 381	34, 714
Birmingham, Ala.....	21, 323	5, 953	12, 805	2, 355	570	8, 562	1, 078	3, 641	20, 194	41, 590
Boston, Mass.....	41, 418	13, 954	19, 309	6, 918	1, 237	13, 179	27, 497	102, 847	28, 798	67, 196
Buffalo, N. Y.....	18, 226	7, 595	7, 308	2, 752	571	6, 320	7, 754	20, 443	14, 125	27, 897
Burlington, Vt.....	2, 423	960	1, 086	318	59	802	887	2, 608	1, 174	3, 493
Casper, Wyo.....	2, 680	855	1, 447	323	55	1, 211	176	1, 068	1, 756	4, 296
Charleston, W. Va.....	10, 270	3, 280	5, 584	953	453	8, 691	352	437	8, 708	16, 947
Charlotte, N. C.....	16, 022	5, 388	8, 076	2, 066	92	13, 692	453	1, 191	9, 344	23, 112
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	29, 281	9, 600	13, 739	5, 144	798	12, 285	3, 551	10, 727	25, 062	50, 507
Cleveland, Ohio.....	24, 978	9, 429	11, 109	2, 752	1, 688	12, 009	6, 145	17, 976	19, 966	48, 245
Columbia, S. C.....	10, 410	2, 824	6, 057	866	663	3, 164	591	819	10, 177	24, 339
Dallas, Tex.....	16, 930	5, 627	9, 410	1, 540	353	7, 747	2, 277	6, 520	15, 116	51, 337
Denver, Colo.....	12, 207	5, 425	5, 080	1, 567	135	5, 951	6, 435	14, 378	8, 975	32, 935
Des Moines, Iowa.....	13, 224	4, 048	6, 170	2, 649	357	14, 961	1, 076	4, 802	12, 967	35, 897
Detroit, Mich.....	24, 484	9, 392	10, 097	4, 261	734	9, 510	2, 405	7, 600	16, 295	43, 706
Indianapolis, Ind.....	22, 264	7, 707	10, 670	3, 341	546	9, 530	5, 273	22, 180	25, 327	46, 597
Jackson, Miss.....	15, 144	4, 587	8, 654	1, 965	308	7, 230	170	630	1, 248	74, 868
Jacksonville, Fla.....	10, 076	3, 266	4, 923	1, 289	598	4, 100	166	464	11, 028	18, 028
Kansas City, Mo.....	15, 771	4, 326	8, 293	2, 737	415	3, 407	2, 108	9, 807	16, 505	35, 655
Little Rock, Ark.....	16, 647	5, 592	9, 127	1, 120	808	8, 072	13, 846	1, 257	16, 710	37, 575
Los Angeles, Calif.....	28, 090	13, 439	10, 378	3, 594	1, 279	12, 083	13, 461	28, 415	19, 927	46, 690
Louisville, Ky.....	27, 630	9, 832	13, 343	3, 318	1, 137	8, 107	3, 330	7, 078	23, 525	41, 130
Manchester, N. H.....	3, 315	1, 110	1, 735	422	48	1, 114	1, 322	3, 820	2, 072	5, 075
Milwaukee, Wis.....	19, 715	6, 420	8, 421	4, 375	499	8, 164	2, 888	9, 179	14, 120	39, 030
Nashville, Tenn.....	23, 946	6, 563	13, 568	3, 011	704	10, 533	252	8, 878	4, 722	33, 206
New Orleans, La.....	14, 568	3, 614	8, 649	2, 004	301	5, 624	3, 341	15, 084	14, 254	35, 031
New York, N. Y.....	55, 549	17, 271	25, 867	10, 794	1, 617	35, 987	25, 328	92, 378	41, 388	87, 669
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	19, 817	7, 106	10, 144	1, 695	872	8, 052	1, 163	3, 739	19, 011	38, 004
Philadelphia, Pa.....	38, 167	13, 314	18, 300	5, 919	634	9, 538	17, 499	70, 153	28, 078	50, 498
Phoenix, Ariz.....	5, 875	3, 187	2, 126	443	119	6, 064	3, 733	6, 863	9, 692	15, 399
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	20, 892	7, 740	9, 948	2, 291	913	7, 151	4, 161	13, 712	18, 668	50, 139
Portland, Me.....	4, 713	1, 636	2, 355	631	91	1, 994	1, 521	4, 881	3, 367	6, 205
Providence, R. I.....	6, 653	2, 472	3, 445	611	95	2, 439	4, 913	28, 812	7, 506	17, 227
Reno, Nev.....	787	319	380	68	20	542	1, 101	1, 367	875	1, 396
Richmond, Va.....	11, 743	3, 990	5, 923	1, 455	375	3, 511	2, 406	5, 304	9, 569	14, 348
Salt Lake City, Utah.....	3, 650	1, 169	1, 835	582	64	1, 052	1, 261	3, 600	2, 634	10, 128
San Antonio, Tex.....	13, 075	4, 940	6, 141	1, 392	602	10, 505	1, 111	2, 276	8, 204	24, 490
San Francisco, Calif.....	22, 155	7, 839	10, 644	3, 068	604	11, 801	6, 503	23, 585	26, 467	62, 260
Seattle, Wash.....	11, 812	3, 854	5, 669	2, 143	148	4, 711	1, 731	13, 849	9, 083	36, 702
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.....	5, 327	1, 897	2, 659	610	152	1, 857	184	722	2, 788	13, 384
St. Louis, Mo.....	17, 778	5, 744	8, 400	3, 193	437	4, 981	5, 212	23, 906	18, 121	47, 845
Washington, D. C.....	15, 820	4, 205	8, 400	2, 543	663	5, 742	10, 426	41, 493	35, 669	59, 390
Wichita, Kans.....	9, 216	3, 122	4, 296	1, 502	296	3, 379	1, 821	2, 367	8, 678	27, 195
Veterans' Administration offices:										
Atlanta, Ga.....	25, 443	6, 884	15, 048	2, 869	642	8, 530	3, 040	8, 606	21, 990	44, 260
Boise, Idaho.....	3, 948	1, 118	2, 329	462	39	1, 752	210	860	2, 388	5, 826
Fargo, N. Dak.....	4, 313	1, 478	2, 195	574	68	2, 109	185	622	2, 453	11, 107
Fort Harrison, Mont.....	5, 599	2, 400	2, 449	580	170	2, 789	1, 499	6, 917	4, 175	10, 477
Hines, Ill.....	56, 531	15, 846	26, 498	12, 815	1, 372	24, 142	18, 115	49, 213	62, 175	150, 087
Lincoln, Neb.....	8, 499	3, 157	4, 675	1, 390	277	3, 214	477	1, 110	6, 495	22, 924
Lyons, N. J.....	18, 042	6, 734	7, 625	2, 924	759	4, 593	7, 438	42, 054	13, 299	25, 897
Minneapolis, Minn.....	26, 259	9, 517	12, 306	4, 146	290	19, 431	7, 703	37, 332	54, 537	113, 297
Newington, Conn.....	9, 360	3, 309	3, 489	1, 262	300	4, 177	7, 643	18, 108	7, 870	15, 998
Portland, Oreg.....	9, 147	3, 274	4, 471	1, 272	130	7, 158	2, 610	7, 472	8, 992	35, 277

NOTE.—Compiled from regional office and Veterans' Administration office reports.

TABLE No. 27.—Number of compensation death and disability claims received, by fiscal years, from October 1, 1917, to June 30, 1931

Date	Total	Death claims	Disability claims	Date	Total	Death claims	Disability claims
Total.....	1,250,266	193,848	1,056,418	Fiscal year ended June 30—Contd.—			
Fiscal year ended June 30—				1925.....	43,624	6,693	36,931
1931.....	59,599	1,545	58,054	1924.....	40,477	4,576	35,901
1930.....	59,797	885	58,912	1923.....	79,281	4,222	75,059
1929.....	31,067	271	30,796	1922.....	191,018	4,343	186,675
1928.....	28,552	278	28,274	1921.....	212,063	4,445	207,618
1927.....	35,817	6,045	29,772	1920.....	191,788	12,242	179,546
1926.....	33,503	8,516	24,987	1919.....	222,689	127,762	94,937
				Oct. 1, 1917-June 30, 1918.....	20,961	12,025	8,936

TABLE No. 28.—Number of compensation death and disability awards, by fiscal years, from October 1, 1917, to June 30, 1931

Date	Total original awards	Original death awards	Original disability awards	Disability changed to death
Total.....	602,533	84,647	517,886	33,894
Fiscal year ended June 30—				
1931.....	25,166	2,456	22,710	2,697
1930.....	16,448	2,447	14,001	3,004
1929.....	14,300	1,794	12,506	2,871
1928.....	14,152	1,890	12,262	3,370
1927.....	15,429	2,308	13,126	3,514
1926.....	26,780	9,175	17,605	4,913
1925.....	28,881	4,995	23,886	3,356
1924.....	15,262	2,011	13,251	2,939
1923.....	35,359	2,532	32,827	3,399
1922.....	77,136	4,734	72,402	1,482
1921.....	104,669	5,764	98,905	1,628
1920.....	175,778	10,657	165,121	721
1919.....	50,353	23,235	27,118	
Oct. 1, 1917-June 30, 1918.....	2,820	1,664	1,156	

TABLE NO. 29.—Number of compensation death and disability awards on which payments have been terminated, and reasons for such terminations, fiscal years 1926-1931

Reasons	Number terminated during fiscal year—																	
	1931			1930			1929			1928			1927			1926		
	Total	Death	Disability	Total	Death	Disability	Total	Death	Disability	Total	Death	Disability	Total	Death	Disability	Total	Death	Disability
Total.....	14,321	3,418	10,903	14,861	3,460	11,401	21,409	3,962	17,447	14,374	2,961	11,413	28,412	2,923	25,489	36,992	2,803	34,189
Claim withdrawn.....	19		19	36	1	35	43		43	25		25	58	1	57	100		100
Disability less than 10 per cent.....	1,564		1,564	2,440		2,440	4,040		4,040	3,998		3,998	12,077		12,077	14,563		14,563
Not dependent.....	273	273		182	182		941	941										1,717
Unable to locate.....	400	18	382	544	11	533	639	8	631	811	18	793	1,292	8	1,284	1,733	16	1,717
Not result of service.....	118	1	117	388	1	387	442		442	346	8	338	349	9	340	458	27	431
Not eligible.....	8	2	6	11	5	6	15	9	6	19	7	12	20	9	11	58	27	31
Dishonorable discharge.....	1		1	3		3	5		5	1		1				6		6
Failure to cooperate.....	482	1	481	1,217	13	1,204	1,598		1,598	1,521		1,521	4,831	4	4,827	4,922	151	4,771
Retired.....	14		14	37		37	57		57									
Education completed or discontinued.....	59	59		15	15													
Guardianship.....	1,236	95	1,141	1,146	123	1,023	1,251	115	1,136	1,030	176	854	1,245	238	1,007	882	126	756
Misconduct.....	4	1	3	1		1	4	3	1	2	1	1	37	6	31	67	29	38
Payee dead.....	4,695	2,208	2,487	3,752	2,143	1,609	3,034	2,078	956	2,803	1,845	958	2,786	1,551	1,235	4,817	1,221	3,596
Child of age.....	25	25		18	18		27	27		15	15			8		20	20	
Marital status.....	987	679	308	1,161	851	310	1,134	707	427	902	812	90	1,038	945	93	1,320	1,054	266
Emergency officers' retirement fund.....	82		82	1,544		1,544	4,257		4,257									85
Reenlisted.....	21		21	32		32	37		37	46		46	43		43	85		85
Entered vocational training.....										40		40	713		713	4,554		4,554
Receiving disability allowance.....	2,336		2,336															
Receiving pension.....	27	2	25															
Estate over \$3,000.....	534		534															
Miscellaneous.....	1,316	54	1,262	2,334	97	2,237	3,885	74	3,811	2,815	79	2,736	3,914	143	3,771	3,405	130	3,275

TABLE NO. 30.—*Compensation, active disability awards; comparative analysis of type of major disability, by extent of disability, as of June 30, 1923-1931*

Date	Total				Temporary partial				Temporary total				Permanent partial				Permanent total ¹			
	Number	Per cent	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Per cent	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Per cent	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Per cent	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Per cent	Monthly value	Average monthly value
GRAND TOTAL																				
June 30—																				
1931	299,238	100.00	\$13,283,319	\$44.38	91,392	30.53	\$3,172,663	\$34.71	11,577	3.87	\$1,064,915	\$91.99	161,788	54.06	\$5,644,467	\$34.89	34,531	11.54	\$3,401,273	\$98.50
1930	279,539	100.00	12,315,797	44.06	81,295	29.08	2,850,988	35.07	11,651	4.17	1,053,294	90.40	152,001	54.37	5,207,747	34.26	34,592	12.38	3,203,768	92.62
1929	262,138	100.00	11,555,558	44.08	72,609	27.70	2,538,006	34.95	11,869	4.52	1,052,927	83.79	144,548	55.14	4,926,285	34.08	33,122	12.64	3,038,340	91.73
1928	257,536	100.00	11,574,308	44.94	66,445	25.80	2,290,856	34.48	14,063	5.46	1,247,004	83.67	143,721	55.81	4,934,335	34.75	33,307	12.93	3,042,113	91.34
1927	243,611	100.00	10,991,795	45.12	64,304	26.40	2,147,180	33.39	17,932	7.36	1,574,655	87.81	129,187	53.03	4,344,080	33.63	32,188	13.21	2,925,930	90.90
1926	226,494	100.00	8,945,740	39.51	72,876	32.18	1,999,585	27.44	21,939	9.68	1,897,505	84.49	103,518	45.71	2,498,080	24.14	28,161	12.43	2,552,950	90.66
1925	211,644	100.00	7,985,670	37.73	81,632	38.57	1,827,836	22.89	26,495	12.56	2,304,685	84.06	81,538	38.53	1,761,175	21.60	21,879	10.34	2,091,975	95.62
1924	179,047	100.00	6,648,270	37.13	83,339	46.55	1,783,725	21.40	21,660	12.28	1,905,075	86.67	56,976	31.82	1,268,345	22.26	16,742	9.35	1,691,125	101.01
1923	183,000	100.00	6,802,830	37.16	119,682	65.37	2,355,125	19.68	29,662	15.87	2,496,200	85.89	20,558	11.23	667,075	27.58	13,788	7.53	1,384,490	100.41

NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISEASES																				
June 30—																				
1931	62,430	20.86	\$3,487,368	\$55.86	26,755	8.94	\$1,031,049	\$38.54	3,528	1.18	\$302,680	\$85.79	14,248	4.76	\$573,017	\$40.22	17,899	5.98	\$1,580,642	\$88.31
1930	59,847	21.41	3,245,142	54.19	24,097	8.62	930,599	38.62	3,475	1.25	288,719	83.08	13,548	4.84	529,541	39.09	18,727	6.70	1,494,283	79.79
1929	56,205	21.44	2,996,577	53.32	22,356	8.53	851,084	38.07	3,376	1.29	272,406	80.69	12,730	4.86	483,116	37.95	17,743	6.76	1,389,971	73.34
1928	54,958	21.34	2,900,601	52.78	21,639	8.40	810,542	37.46	3,570	1.39	290,525	81.38	12,669	4.92	482,363	38.07	17,060	6.63	1,317,171	77.12
1927	52,665	21.62	2,714,965	51.55	20,789	8.58	735,110	35.36	4,466	1.84	350,990	78.50	11,506	4.72	433,320	37.66	15,904	6.53	1,195,565	75.17
1926	49,773	21.98	2,320,345	46.62	20,807	9.19	563,485	27.08	5,921	2.61	459,450	77.60	9,831	4.34	322,065	32.76	13,214	5.44	975,325	73.81
1925	44,845	21.19	2,017,715	44.99	21,652	9.95	431,605	20.50	7,230	3.42	594,450	82.22	7,157	3.38	206,575	28.86	9,406	4.44	785,075	83.47
1924	32,103	17.93	1,581,455	49.28	15,371	8.59	315,375	20.52	5,288	2.95	443,200	83.81	4,545	2.64	133,075	29.28	6,899	3.85	689,805	90.99
1923	38,259	15.43	1,392,550	49.28	15,801	8.63	319,650	20.23	6,247	3.41	521,340	83.45	1,055	.68	36,790	34.87	5,153	2.81	514,750	99.89

TABLE No. 31.—*Compensation, active disability awards; extent of disability and degree of impairment correlated with classification of major disability, showing number of disabled veterans and value of awards, as of June 30, 1931*

Extent of disability and degree of impairment	Total		Abnormalities and congenital malformations		Blood and blood-forming organs		Bones and cartilages		Circulatory system		Communicable and infectious diseases		Dental	
	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value
Grand total.....	299,288	\$13,283,319	672	\$15,854	73	\$5,353	6,125	\$206,252	22,415	\$807,065	720	\$41,622		
Temporary partial:														
Total.....	91,392	3,172,668	77	1,885	24	1,091	1,088	36,038	12,063	358,932	263	10,696		
10 to 19 per cent.....	19,878	271,326	33	459	1	11	291	3,917	3,298	42,472	31	421		
20 to 29 per cent.....	26,529	637,051	29	439	4	94	297	6,976	3,340	76,164	81	2,011		
30 to 39 per cent.....	12,441	419,800	13	418	3	98	118	3,891	1,914	60,248	28	957		
40 to 49 per cent.....	8,139	337,517	6	262	3	115	87	3,590	1,146	46,368	24	1,000		
50 to 59 per cent.....	9,279	459,743	3	160	5	239	142	6,995	1,340	65,785	48	2,522		
60 to 69 per cent.....	4,536	271,309	1	76	1	52	43	2,595	492	29,193	13	805		
70 to 79 per cent.....	7,344	515,074	1	71	6	417	89	3,341	452	32,253	24	1,780		
80 to 89 per cent.....	2,436	191,676			1	65	18	1,411	76	6,006	7	577		
90 to 99 per cent.....	780	69,167					3	322	5	443	7	643		
Permanent partial:														
Total.....	161,786	5,644,467	592	12,744	12	477	4,657	132,414	8,018	214,094	235	7,512		
No disability.....	20,894	1,038,110												
10 to 19 per cent.....	51,260	972,362	311	4,616	2	29	1,876	26,138	2,872	42,284	84	1,166		
20 to 29 per cent.....	43,523	1,265,254	167	3,913	1	25	1,232	20,916	2,714	64,686	46	1,140		
30 to 39 per cent.....	15,817	553,453	58	1,912	2	70	548	18,536	1,022	33,896	28	937		
40 to 49 per cent.....	10,138	446,453	26	1,158	2	98	339	14,748	495	20,297	30	1,309		
50 to 59 per cent.....	7,727	414,577	10	520	4	200	265	14,061	585	29,857	23	1,172		
60 to 69 per cent.....	5,352	354,967	7	404	1	65	192	12,635	161	11,228	6	382		
70 to 79 per cent.....	4,248	330,982	2	140			139	10,659	132	9,806	13	967		
80 to 89 per cent.....	2,232	206,175	1	81			58	5,088	16	1,346	3	249		
90 to 99 per cent.....	607	62,134					8	733	1	94	2	190		
Temporary total (100 per cent).....	11,577	1,064,916	7	625	9	885	205	19,585	879	84,259	84	8,094		
Permanent total (100 per cent).....	34,416	3,373,253	6	600	28	2,900	175	18,215	1,454	149,605	138	15,320		
Double permanent total (200 per cent).....	116	2,990							1	275				

Extent of disability and degree of impairment	Digestive system		Ear, nose, and throat		Endocrines		Eye and annexa		Genito-urinary system		Hernia		Joints and bursae	
	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value
Grand total.....	10,280	\$363,905	15,747	\$560,739	3,647	\$155,212	7,778	\$414,043	4,241	\$183,682	3,661	\$115,199	36,820	\$1,179,672
Temporary partial: Total.....	6,260	190,367	5,881	192,962	2,602	86,682	1,336	43,411	1,716	62,046	1,604	46,852	10,399	308,645
10 to 19 per cent.....	1,625	20,535	1,720	23,603	503	7,253	483	6,147	342	3,900	254	3,190	3,062	41,540
20 to 29 per cent.....	1,885	44,239	1,259	29,559	1,104	25,864	269	6,219	418	9,441	604	14,472	3,294	76,644
30 to 39 per cent.....	832	27,185	867	28,054	343	11,567	126	4,015	204	6,420	457	15,474	1,206	39,319
40 to 49 per cent.....	544	21,678	669	27,680	102	4,101	120	4,946	118	4,96	178	7,411	701	28,635
50 to 59 per cent.....	846	41,551	530	26,702	60	3,018	108	5,548	270	13,145	72	3,734	1,155	56,188
60 to 69 per cent.....	220	13,234	379	23,101	52	3,225	73	4,356	143	8,382	27	1,670	350	20,822
70 to 79 per cent.....	257	19,090	247	17,137	328	23,359	78	5,484	188	13,387	9	623	514	26,088
80 to 89 per cent.....	45	3,625	154	12,284	96	7,496	43	3,548	30	2,306	2	165	93	7,269
90 to 99 per cent.....	3	227	56	4,862	9	829	36	3,148	3	269	1	96	24	2,140
Permanent partial: Total.....	3,154	89,783	9,373	319,165	221	17,255	5,587	228,944	1,984	67,746	1,946	57,667	24,318	643,434
No disability.....									182	4,550				
10 to 19 per cent.....	1,078	15,773	2,733	41,285	163	2,591	869	11,760	654	12,460	434	6,108	10,873	158,916
20 to 29 per cent.....	630	22,652	2,183	54,389	196	4,973	764	16,691	310	9,992	695	17,779	6,824	163,272
30 to 39 per cent.....	603	21,148	1,524	52,315	44	1,578	1,120	36,576	106	3,947	484	17,220	2,406	81,398
40 to 49 per cent.....	251	10,965	1,071	46,401	15	669	010	38,817	381	16,374	210	9,278	1,558	68,666
50 to 59 per cent.....	40	11,615	689	36,704	14	734	523	27,298	201	10,769	81	4,312	1,155	61,267
60 to 69 per cent.....	224	11,615	445	28,194	17	1,097	1,105	67,622	82	5,408	22	1,438	705	45,795
70 to 79 per cent.....	49	3,084	373	27,494	56	4,228	209	15,370	50	3,748	14	1,041	533	40,271
80 to 89 per cent.....	53	419	273	23,045	14	1,178	99	8,240	16	1,318	6	493	219	19,346
90 to 99 per cent.....	2	183	102	9,358	2	207	48	4,530	2	180			45	4,503
Temporary total (100 per cent).....	566	53,400	121	11,322	235	21,975	75	7,170	199	19,640	51	4,695	849	80,983
Permanent total (100 per cent).....	300	30,415	372	37,290	289	29,300	767	131,318	342	35,250	60	5,985	1,213	136,435
Double permanent total (200 per cent).....							13	3,200					41	10,175

TABLE NO. 31.—*Compensation, active disability awards; extent of disability and degree of impairment correlated with classification of major disability, showing number of disabled veterans and value of awards, as of June 30, 1931—Continued*

Extent of disability and degree of impairment	Lymphatic system		Muscles, fasciae, tendons and tendon sheaths		Nervous system		Obstetrical and gynecological conditions		Parasitic diseases		Psychiatric diseases		Respiratory system	
	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value
Grand total	81	\$3,131	13,065	\$352,896	33,112	\$1,584,566	16	\$737	606	\$25,843	25,671	\$1,747,610	22,569	\$710,556
Temporary partial:														
Total	31	984	1,229	38,036	16,592	605,822	3	81	379	13,170	7,561	338,545	13,517	367,360
10 to 19 per cent	7	83	355	4,783	1,322	20,100			100	1,196	266	4,298	5,104	63,312
20 to 29 per cent	10	215	323	7,680	6,587	158,662	1	23	89	2,135	1,750	42,958	3,871	84,564
30 to 39 per cent	2	58	196	6,601	2,302	77,095	1	26	26	804	690	23,075	1,814	55,678
40 to 49 per cent	1	36	130	5,382	1,929	80,016	1	32	19	789	1,130	45,281	438	18,476
50 to 59 per cent	6	296	109	5,581	1,868	94,658			90	4,369	1,348	66,133	836	41,060
60 to 69 per cent	4	246	57	3,419	1,030	61,806			16	1,000	825	47,959	174	10,355
70 to 79 per cent	1	60	37	2,690	1,182	83,674			37	2,721	1,229	83,780	1,055	75,640
80 to 89 per cent			11	881	336	26,533			2	166	298	22,912	209	16,733
90 to 99 per cent			11	1,039	36	3,278					25	2,149	17	1,542
Permanent partial:														
Total	40	1,172	11,745	305,785	11,743	466,350	11	406	154	5,398	1,984	89,412	7,639	203,330
10 to 19 per cent	24	424	4,199	60,131	1,833	26,706	3	70	33	381	158	2,504	3,680	59,063
20 to 29 per cent	5	162	4,126	96,589	3,159	78,813	1	25	52	1,340	495	12,620	2,172	56,432
30 to 39 per cent	2	63	1,605	54,230	1,635	56,567	1	30	10	321	201	7,128	725	24,744
40 to 49 per cent			914	39,674	1,442	62,618	4	174	8	347	305	13,320	257	11,253
50 to 59 per cent	6	300	494	26,400	1,505	80,150	2	107	33	1,679	310	16,400	337	17,262
60 to 69 per cent			228	14,608	830	54,026			5	314	158	10,015	85	5,308
70 to 79 per cent	3	223	127	9,583	933	71,503			10	757	274	20,382	312	23,368
80 to 89 per cent			44	3,819	344	29,798			2	169	76	6,381	63	5,182
90 to 99 per cent			8	751	62	6,169			1	90	7	662	8	718
Temporary total (100 per cent)	6	575	40	3,800	848	79,458			40	3,925	2,445	201,247	670	64,086
Permanent total (100 per cent)	4	400	51	5,275	3,893	424,011	2	250	33	3,350	13,675	1,117,416	743	75,800
Double permanent total (200 per cent)					36	8,925					6	990		

Extent of disability and degree of impairment	Skin and its appendages		Tuberculosis		Tumors		Venereal diseases		Miscellaneous		Amputations		Fractures	
	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Number	Monthly value
Grand total.....	15,164	\$327,575	59,739	\$3,711,091	521	\$27,335	62	\$5,333	3,014	\$100,914	7,947	\$486,289	5,542	\$150,785
Temporary partial:														
Total.....	1,518	39,341	6,447	398,821	141	4,289	12	634	362	12,282	122	7,780	165	5,911
10 to 19 per cent.....	588	7,227	308	14,756	40	451			78	954	15	217	39	501
20 to 29 per cent.....	423	9,651	706	34,648	45	966	1	16	100	2,289	9	208	39	914
30 to 39 per cent.....	159	5,187	1,049	50,861	16	507	1	29	39	1,262	9	287	21	684
40 to 49 per cent.....	88	3,639	642	30,735	6	289	1	36	30	1,210	11	440	15	604
50 to 59 per cent.....	169	8,162	160	8,269	16	794	3	138	70	3,429	11	581	15	726
60 to 69 per cent.....	36	2,135	583	33,951	4	229	2	114	13	776	13	927	15	872
70 to 79 per cent.....	36	2,635	1,509	103,889	9	648	3	235	22	1,593	20	1,697	11	777
80 to 89 per cent.....	8	628	964	75,290	4	320	1	66	8	611	23	2,244	7	584
90 to 99 per cent.....	1	77	526	46,422	1	95			2	158	11	1,179	3	249
Permanent partial:														
Total.....	13,490	273,509	39,591	1,917,463	213	5,866	9	469	2,354	56,772	7,112	388,406	5,316	138,874
No disability.....			20,712	1,033,560										
10 to 19 per cent.....	7,600	102,906	6,609	325,444	88	1,202	1	15	1,071	14,460	1,705	23,438	2,357	32,492
20 to 29 per cent.....	4,013	94,071	10,193	455,795	56	1,380			740	17,706	1,079	26,145	1,431	33,768
30 to 39 per cent.....	1,079	36,378	1,202	56,151	28	886			222	7,498	556	19,494	608	20,430
40 to 49 per cent.....	443	19,161	546	26,229	16	697			124	5,290	457	23,877	334	14,443
50 to 59 per cent.....	208	10,933	172	8,908	11	581	6	291	117	6,107	497	33,305	255	13,645
60 to 69 per cent.....	89	5,630	57	3,602	7	429			30	1,936	873	70,362	178	11,487
70 to 79 per cent.....	49	3,687	77	5,793	8	620	1	75	40	2,931	746	67,144	94	7,248
80 to 89 per cent.....	8	622	18	1,516	1	91	1	88	10	844	906	92,560	49	4,262
90 to 99 per cent.....	1	121	5	465							293	32,081	10	1,099
Temporary total (100 per cent).....	110	10,105	3,923	369,414	53	5,040	8	730	79	7,310	46	4,903	29	2,700
Permanent total (100 per cent).....	46	4,620	9,771	1,023,668	114	12,120	33	3,500	219	24,550	656	82,500	32	3,300
Double permanent total (200 per cent).....			7	1,725							11	2,700		

TABLE NO. 32.—*Compensation, active disability awards; number of disabled veterans rated on a temporary basis, receiving additional compensation for dependents, showing number of dependents in each class, monthly and average monthly value of awards for veterans and dependents, as of June 30, 1931*

	Total			Temporary partial			Temporary total		
	Number	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Monthly value	Average monthly value
Veterans with dependents.....	76,552	\$3,257,623	\$42.55	68,106	\$2,425,762	\$35.62	8,446	\$831,861	\$98.49
Total dependents.....	206,829	615,076	18.03	185,321	462,223	16.79	21,508	152,853	18.10
Wives.....	70,742	300,339	4.25	63,381	226,729	3.58	7,361	73,610	10.00
Children.....	129,136	277,890	2.15	116,324	211,997	1.82	12,812	65,893	5.14
Mothers.....	5,260	27,976	5.32	4,243	17,806	4.20	1,017	10,170	10.00
Fathers.....	1,691	8,871	5.25	1,373	5,691	4.14	318	3,180	10.00
Veterans.....	76,552	2,642,547	34.52	68,106	1,963,539	28.83	8,446	679,008	80.39

¹ Average value of allowance per veteran for dependents.
² Includes nurse allowance.

TABLE NO. 33.—*Compensation, active death awards; number of deceased veterans whose beneficiaries are receiving compensation, showing number of beneficiaries in each class, monthly and average monthly value of awards, as of June 30, 1931*

	Number	Monthly value	Average monthly value
Total death cases on which compensation is being paid.....	93,334	\$2,604,286	\$27.90
Total beneficiaries.....	141,250	2,604,286	18.44
Widows.....	22,843	685,290	30.00
Children.....	34,700	416,289	12.00
Parents.....	83,707	1,502,707	17.95

TABLE NO. 34.—*Compensation, active disability and death awards; number of disabled veterans, and number of deceased veterans whose beneficiaries are receiving compensation, showing number of cases on which insurance payments also are being made, as of June 30, 1931*

Kind of claim	Total	Number of disabled veterans	Number of deceased veterans
Total.....	392,622	299,288	93,334
Compensation only.....	317,309	287,634	29,675
Compensation and term insurance.....	66,922	8,195	58,727
Compensation and automatic insurance.....	3,760	167	3,593
Compensation and United States Government life insurance.....	4,207	3,016	1,191
Compensation, term insurance, and United States Government life insurance.....	424	276	148

RETIREMENT OF DISABLED EMERGENCY OFFICERS' TABLES

TABLE No. 35.—Emergency officers receiving retirement pay and those retired without pay, as of June 30, 1931, showing class of major disability at time of retirement

Class of major disability	Receiving retirement pay				Retired without pay	
	Number	Per cent	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Number	Per cent
Total	6,364	100.00	\$887,951	\$139.53	939	100.00
Abnormalities and congenital malformations.....	8	.13	1,131	141.38	2	.21
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	7	.11	1,019	145.57		
Bones and cartilages.....	104	1.63	13,913	133.78	14	1.49
Circulatory system.....	716	11.25	107,855	150.64	82	8.73
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	5	.08	704	140.80	1	.11
Digestive system.....	262	4.12	36,960	141.07	33	3.51
Ear, nose, and throat.....	630	9.90	90,331	143.38	105	11.18
Endocrines.....	123	1.93	18,404	149.63	4	.43
Eye and annexa.....	227	3.57	30,934	136.27	18	1.92
Genito-urinary system.....	186	2.92	26,599	143.01	12	1.28
Hernia.....	87	1.37	12,403	142.56	45	4.79
Joints and bursae.....	640	10.06	87,878	137.31	138	14.70
Lymphatic system.....	6	.09	919	153.17		
Muscles, fasciae, tendons, and tendon sheaths.....	163	2.56	21,607	132.56	24	2.55
Nervous system.....	935	14.69	131,495	140.64	57	6.07
Parasitic diseases.....	10	.16	1,308	130.80		
Psychiatric diseases.....	601	9.44	80,822	134.48	7	.74
Respiratory system.....	364	5.72	52,570	144.42	75	7.99
Skin and its appendages.....	138	2.17	18,321	132.76	65	6.92
Tuberculosis.....	778	12.22	102,657	131.99	192	20.45
Tumors.....	24	.38	3,727	155.29	1	.11
Veneral diseases.....	2	.03	357	178.50	1	.11
Miscellaneous.....	63	.99	8,793	139.57	30	3.19
Amputations.....	152	2.39	19,299	126.97	4	.43
Fractures.....	133	2.09	17,915	134.70	29	3.09

TABLE No. 36.—Emergency Officers receiving retirement pay as of June 30, 1931, classified by organization and rank, showing increased cost due to retirement, in comparison with previous disability compensation

Organization and rank at time of discharge from commissioned service	Number receiving retirement pay			Amount of nurse allowance	Retirement pay		Disability compensation at time of passage of act		Additional cost due to retirement	
	Total	With nurse allowance	Without nurse allowance		Monthly value	Average monthly value	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Monthly increase	Average monthly increase
Grand total	6,364	134	6,230	\$6,675	\$887,951	\$139.53	\$330,932	\$52.00	\$557,019	\$87.53
Army:										
Total	5,979	119	5,859	5,925	\$38,063	149.19	308,952	51.65	529,111	88.51
General	4	1	4		1,625	406.25	60	15.00	1,565	391.25
Colonel	20	1	19	50	6,107	305.35	1,045	52.25	5,062	253.10
Lieutenant colonel	85	10	75	85	21,085	248.06	3,411	40.13	17,674	207.93
Major	487	10	477	600	98,803	202.88	22,256	45.70	76,547	157.18
Captain	1,704	28	1,676	1,400	267,650	157.07	87,903	51.59	179,747	105.48
First lieutenant	2,139	48	2,091	2,400	275,366	128.74	112,310	52.51	163,056	76.23
Second lieutenant	1,539	82	1,457	1,575	167,427	108.79	81,967	53.26	85,460	55.53
Navy:										
Total	339	14	325	700	43,886	129.46	19,619	57.87	24,267	71.59
Commodore or captain	1	1	1		241	241.00	65	65.00	176	176.00
Commander	3	3	3		745	248.33	154	51.33	591	197.00
Lieutenant commander	23	2	21	100	4,514	196.26	1,453	63.17	3,061	133.09
Lieutenant	70	7	63		10,646	152.09	3,914	55.92	6,732	96.17
Lieutenant (junior grade)	89	3	86	150	11,379	127.85	5,304	59.59	6,075	68.26
Ensign	149	9	140	450	15,904	106.74	8,623	57.87	7,281	48.87
Warrant officer	4	4	4		457	114.25	106	26.50	351	87.75
Marine:										
Total	47	1	46	50	6,002	127.70	2,361	50.23	3,641	77.47
Major	1	1	1		206	206.00	100	100.00	106	106.00
Captain	9	1	8	50	1,425	158.33	472	52.44	953	105.89
First lieutenant	18	18	18		2,302	127.89	703	39.06	1,596	88.83
Second lieutenant	19	19	19		2,069	108.89	1,086	57.16	983	51.73

TABLE No. 37.—Emergency officers retired with pay, retired without pay, and number of claims disallowed, by State or country of residence as of June 30, 1931

State or country of residence	Retired with pay ¹						Retired without pay		Disallowed		
	Total	Per cent of grand total	Number	Per cent retired with pay	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Monthly value of disability compensation at time of passage of act	Number	Per cent retired without pay	Number	Per cent disallowed
Grand total.....	13,273	100.00	6,364	47.95	\$887,951	\$139.53	\$330,932	939	7.07	5,970	44.98
Total United States.....	13,067	98.00	6,306	48.18	879,607	139.49	327,684	930	7.11	5,851	44.71
Alabama.....	228	1.72	107	46.93	15,688	146.62	4,931	13	5.70	108	47.37
Arizona.....	165	1.24	94	56.97	12,093	128.65	6,094	11	6.67	60	36.36
Arkansas.....	195	1.47	103	52.82	14,877	142.59	5,142	9	4.62	83	42.56
California.....	1,497	11.28	802	53.58	111,216	138.67	45,324	93	6.21	602	40.21
Colorado.....	324	2.44	196	61.42	26,615	133.74	14,331	22	6.79	103	31.79
Connecticut.....	98	.74	58	59.18	7,583	130.74	2,926	12	12.25	28	28.57
Delaware.....	13	.10	10	76.92	1,427	142.70	628	—	—	3	23.08
District of Columbia.....	494	3.72	237	47.98	34,034	143.60	10,342	16	3.24	241	48.78
Florida.....	284	2.14	135	46.83	19,215	144.47	7,011	20	7.04	131	46.13
Georgia.....	455	3.43	220	48.35	29,763	135.29	11,352	20	4.40	215	47.25
Idaho.....	45	.34	18	40.00	3,051	169.50	770	3	6.67	24	53.33
Illinois.....	1,073	8.08	342	31.87	47,290	138.27	15,923	92	8.58	639	59.55
Indiana.....	315	2.37	150	47.62	22,012	138.44	8,106	14	4.44	142	45.08
Iowa.....	88	.66	40	45.45	5,487	137.18	2,514	7	7.96	41	46.59
Kansas.....	171	1.29	84	49.12	12,239	145.67	4,249	18	10.53	69	40.35
Kentucky.....	300	2.26	132	44.00	18,636	141.18	6,129	12	4.00	156	52.00
Louisiana.....	163	1.23	76	46.62	10,620	139.74	3,594	14	8.59	73	44.79
Maine.....	53	.40	25	47.17	3,766	150.64	1,330	4	7.55	24	45.28
Maryland.....	235	1.77	122	51.92	16,806	137.76	6,384	15	6.38	98	41.70
Massachusetts.....	686	5.17	324	47.23	45,443	140.26	14,345	50	7.29	312	45.48
Michigan.....	225	1.69	110	48.89	15,652	142.29	5,078	23	10.22	92	40.89
Minnesota.....	247	1.86	122	49.39	17,420	142.79	6,433	20	8.10	105	42.51
Mississippi.....	139	1.05	68	48.92	9,086	133.62	3,322	13	9.35	58	41.73
Missouri.....	323	2.43	151	46.75	21,007	139.12	7,130	33	10.22	139	43.03
Montana.....	60	.45	34	56.67	4,935	145.15	1,740	8	13.33	18	30.00
Nebraska.....	78	.59	27	34.62	3,455	127.96	1,266	10	12.82	41	52.56
Nevada.....	11	.08	7	63.64	908	129.71	406	—	—	4	36.36
New Hampshire.....	47	.35	23	48.93	3,429	149.09	1,319	1	2.13	23	48.94
New Jersey.....	283	2.13	138	48.76	18,975	137.50	7,483	14	4.95	131	46.29
New Mexico.....	99	.75	60	60.61	8,155	138.92	4,304	6	6.06	33	33.33
New York.....	985	7.42	484	49.14	66,816	135.05	24,798	65	6.60	436	44.26
North Carolina.....	243	1.83	105	43.21	14,882	141.73	6,343	17	7.00	121	49.79
North Dakota.....	40	.30	15	37.50	2,140	142.67	757	7	17.50	18	45.00
Ohio.....	524	3.95	273	52.10	38,175	139.84	12,476	40	7.63	211	40.27
Oklahoma.....	141	1.06	60	42.55	8,634	143.90	3,107	18	12.77	63	44.66
Oregon.....	155	1.17	78	50.32	11,093	142.22	4,004	10	6.45	67	43.23
Pennsylvania.....	609	4.59	333	54.68	46,797	140.53	17,728	44	7.22	232	38.10
Rhode Island.....	38	.29	13	34.21	1,822	140.15	441	2	5.26	23	60.53
South Carolina.....	192	1.45	82	42.71	11,437	139.48	3,875	20	10.42	90	46.87
South Dakota.....	60	.45	13	21.67	1,962	150.92	810	6	10.00	41	68.33
Tennessee.....	226	1.70	99	43.81	14,129	142.72	5,480	16	7.08	111	49.11
Texas.....	520	3.92	279	53.65	39,042	139.94	15,437	42	8.08	199	38.27
Utah.....	37	.28	8	21.62	1,018	127.25	239	6	16.22	23	62.16
Vermont.....	37	.28	19	51.35	2,556	134.53	1,028	2	5.41	16	43.24
Virginia.....	256	1.93	122	47.66	16,383	134.29	6,294	19	7.42	115	44.92
Washington.....	229	1.73	104	45.42	13,457	129.39	5,117	11	4.80	114	49.78
West Virginia.....	118	.89	59	50.00	8,296	140.61	3,416	5	4.24	54	45.76
Wisconsin.....	250	1.88	117	46.80	17,793	152.08	5,632	26	10.40	107	42.80
Wyoming.....	33	.25	18	54.55	2,485	138.06	796	1	3.03	14	42.42
Total United States possessions and other countries.....	186	1.40	58	31.18	8,344	143.86	3,248	9	4.84	119	63.98
Total United States possessions.....	119	.90	14	11.77	1,923	137.36	554	5	4.20	100	84.03
Alaska.....	3	.02	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	100.00
Canal Zone.....	6	.06	2	33.33	212	106.00	112	1	16.67	3	50.00
Hawaii.....	5	.04	3	60.00	488	162.67	222	—	—	2	40.00
Philippine Islands.....	81	.61	3	3.70	401	133.67	100	—	—	78	96.30
Porto Rico.....	24	.18	6	25.00	822	137.00	120	4	16.67	14	58.33
Total European countries.....	38	.28	31	81.58	4,543	146.55	2,067	—	—	7	18.42

¹ Does not include cases where death has occurred since retirement.

TABLE NO. 37.—Emergency officers retired with pay, retired without pay, and number of claims disallowed, by State or country of residence as of June 30, 1931—Continued

State or country of residence	Retired with pay							Retired without pay		Disallowed	
	Total	Per cent of grand total	Number	Per cent retired with pay	Monthly value	Average monthly value	Monthly value of disability compensation at time of passage of act	Number	Per cent retired without pay	Number	Per cent disallowed
Austria.....	2	.01	1	50.00	\$165	\$165.00	\$71			1	50.00
British Isles.....	4	.03	4	100.00	684	166.00	250				
France.....	27	.20	22	81.48	3,138	142.64	1,396			5	18.52
Northern Russia and Siberia.....	1	.01								1	100.00
Other parts of Europe.....	4	.03	4	100.00	576	144.00	350				
Total miscellaneous countries.....	29	.22	13	44.83	1,878	144.46	627	4	13.79	12	41.38
Africa.....	1	.01								1	100.00
Canada.....	13	.10	6	46.16	881	146.83	318	1	7.69	6	46.15
Central America.....	1	.01								1	100.00
China.....	1	.01	1	100.00	188	188.00	25				
Cuba.....	3	.02	1	33.33	138	138.00	100	1	33.33	1	33.34
Mexico.....	2	.01	1	50.00	125	125.00	36			1	50.00
Other parts of Asia.....	1	.01								1	100.00
San Domingo and Haiti.....	1	.01	1	100.00	150	150.00	50				
South America.....	5	.03	2	40.00	290	145.00	80	2	40.00	1	20.00
Other parts of West Indies.....	1	.01	1	100.00	106	106.00	18				

INSURANCE TABLES

TABLE NO. 38.—Number of United States Government term and converted insurance claims received by fiscal years from October 1, 1917, to June 30, 1931

Date	Total	Term insurance claims	Converted insurance claims	Date	Total	Term insurance claims	Converted insurance claims
Total.....	284,823	255,822	29,001	Fiscal year ended June 30—Continued.			
Fiscal year ended June 30—				1924.....	14,684	13,086	1,598
1931.....	5,301	753	4,548	1923.....	16,234	14,604	1,630
1930.....	4,722	444	4,278	1922.....	16,862	15,610	1,252
1929.....	4,301	307	3,994	1921.....	23,092	21,868	1,224
1928.....	4,156	446	3,710	1920.....	20,522	20,302	220
1927.....	15,526	13,072	2,454	1919.....	105,382	105,382	
1926.....	23,140	20,942	2,298	Oct. 1, 1917—June 30, 1918.....	13,318	13,318	
1925.....	17,583	15,788	1,795				

TABLE NO. 39.—Number of United States Government term and converted insurance death and disability awards, by fiscal years from October, 1917, to June 30, 1931

Date	Insurance awards											
	Total				Term insurance				Converted insurance			
	Total	Original death	Original disability	Disability changed to death	Total	Original death	Original disability	Disability changed to death	Total	Original death	Original disability	Disability changed to death
Total	212, 092	169, 261	42, 831	20, 424	188, 882	154, 430	34, 452	18, 469	23, 210	14, 831	8, 379	1, 955
Fiscal year ended June 30—												
1931	4, 917	2, 459	2, 458	1, 007	1, 407	312	1, 095	654	3, 510	2, 147	1, 363	353
1930	4, 454	2, 586	1, 868	1, 154	947	349	598	810	3, 507	2, 237	1, 270	344
1929	4, 384	2, 577	1, 807	1, 202	978	372	606	938	3, 406	2, 205	1, 201	294
1928	3, 953	2, 354	1, 599	898	1, 039	532	507	680	2, 914	1, 822	1, 092	218
1927	4, 012	1, 951	2, 061	1, 042	2, 055	752	1, 303	852	1, 957	1, 199	758	190
1926	6, 312	2, 384	3, 928	1, 711	4, 462	1, 370	3, 092	1, 538	1, 850	1, 014	836	173
1925	5, 568	2, 244	3, 324	1, 727	4, 104	1, 274	2, 830	1, 578	1, 464	970	494	149
1924	5, 107	1, 932	3, 175	1, 934	3, 761	1, 090	2, 671	1, 808	1, 346	842	504	126
1923	6, 744	2, 714	4, 030	2, 556	5, 425	1, 831	3, 594	2, 456	1, 319	883	436	100
1922	10, 102	4, 034	6, 068	2, 668	8, 855	3, 132	5, 723	2, 633	1, 247	902	345	35
1921	13, 319	5, 930	7, 389	2, 658	12, 734	5, 424	7, 310	2, 655	585	506	79	3
1920	28, 937	24, 039	4, 898	1, 867	28, 832	23, 935	4, 897	1, 867	105	104	1	
1919	108, 033	107, 807	226		108, 033	107, 807	226					
October, 1917-June 30, 1918	6, 250	6, 250			6, 250	6, 250						

TABLE NO. 40.—Term and automatic insurance—active disability and death awards; class of major disability causing permanent total disability or death of veteran, as of June 30, 1931

Classification of major disability	Term insurance						Automatic insurance					
	Total		Disability		Death		Total		Disability		Death	
	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance
Total	146,399	\$1,269,883,527	11,862	\$95,583,008	134,537	\$1,174,300,519	7,469	\$32,305,801	273	\$1,185,912	7,196	\$31,119,889
Abnormalities and congenital malformations.....	3	18,000	2	15,000	1	3,000						
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	252	1,989,382	10	86,458	242	1,902,924	8	34,752				
Bones and cartilages.....	145	1,227,433	94	819,045	51	407,488	2	8,688	1	4,344	7	30,408
Circulatory system.....	3,774	29,582,850	567	4,242,002	3,207	25,340,848	232	997,593	4	17,376	228	980,217
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	3,750	32,482,964	79	616,168	3,671	31,866,816	441	1,915,576	2	8,688	439	1,906,896
Digestive system.....	2,267	18,624,930	102	852,196	2,165	17,772,734	180	779,525	1	4,344	179	775,181
Ear, nose, and throat.....	354	2,831,291	109	795,419	245	2,035,872	30	129,466	6	26,064	24	103,402
Endocrines.....	641	5,327,226	106	738,930	541	4,588,296	39	169,378			39	169,378
Eye and annexa.....	385	3,198,231	369	3,075,661	16	122,570	8	34,752	8	34,752		
Genito-urinary system.....	1,655	13,341,202	155	1,322,627	1,500	12,018,575	84	363,476	1	4,344	83	359,132
Hernia.....	48	412,554	11	79,917	37	332,637	2	8,688			2	8,688
Joints and bursae.....	464	3,581,070	407	3,179,832	57	401,238	8	33,003	2	8,688	6	24,315
Lymphatic system.....	108	856,048	2	15,000	106	841,048	3	13,032			3	13,032
Muscles, fasciae, tendons, and tendon sheaths.....	17	147,000	13	117,000	4	30,000	1	4,344			1	4,344
Nervous system.....	3,495	28,970,711	1,126	8,898,934	2,369	20,071,777	434	1,882,841	15	65,160	419	1,817,681
Obstetrical and gynecological conditions.....	6	50,000	1	10,000	5	40,000						
Parasitic diseases.....	47	333,782	18	127,722	29	206,060	2	8,688			2	8,688
Poisonings and intoxications.....	516	4,092,360	2	15,000	514	4,077,360	92	399,648			92	399,648
Psychiatric diseases.....	4,769	38,025,629	4,163	33,657,646	606	4,367,983	212	917,557	165	716,760	47	200,797
Respiratory system.....	46,522	421,725,021	178	1,266,423	46,344	420,456,598	3,433	14,908,206			3,433	14,908,206
Skin and its appendages.....	50	423,345	9	74,721	41	348,624	4	17,376			4	17,376
Tuberculosis.....	19,376	149,785,000	3,460	27,708,276	15,916	122,076,724	756	3,174,964	56	243,264	700	2,931,700
Tumors.....	933	7,550,586	45	394,048	888	7,156,538	28	120,208			28	120,208
Veneral diseases.....	222	1,729,034	69	538,276	153	1,190,758	17	73,848	1	4,344	16	69,504
Miscellaneous ¹	55,321	492,633,901	177	1,527,162	55,144	491,106,739	1,354	5,880,484	1	4,344	1,353	5,876,140
Amputations.....	576	5,265,373	532	4,884,792	44	380,581	18	77,844	9	39,066	9	38,748
Fractures.....	703	5,680,584	62	523,853	641	5,156,731	81	351,864	1	4,344	80	347,520

¹ Includes battle deaths, accidents, and injuries.

TABLE NO. 41.—Term and automatic insurance—terminated disability and death awards; classification of major disability of veteran and reasons for terminations, as of June 30, 1931

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Classification of major disability	Term insurance awards								Automatic insurance awards							
	Disability						Death		Disability						Death	
	Total		Terminated by recovery		Terminated by Death		Terminated by lump-sum payment		Total		Terminated by recovery		Terminated by death		Terminated—no beneficiary in permitted class	
	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance	Number of veterans	Amount of insurance
Total.....	21,760	\$182,220,215	3,464	\$29,341,704	18,296	\$152,878,511	21,779	\$112,262,824	320	\$1,370,723	56	\$243,264	264	\$1,127,459	1,198	\$5,204,112
Abnormalities and congenital malformations.....	2	20,000	2	20,000			41	228,183							3	13,032
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	133	1,080,182	1	2,000	132	1,078,182	11	54,205								
Bones and cartilages.....	161	1,452,547	127	1,153,585	34	298,962	11	2,386,590	11	47,784	2	8,688	9	39,096	50	217,200
Circulatory system.....	1,060	8,736,194	79	649,413	981	8,086,781	454	2,997,800	1	3,977			1	3,977	68	295,362
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	114	956,964	12	95,000	102	861,964	589	2,997,800	4	17,376	1	4,344	3	13,032	29	125,976
Digestive system.....	289	2,467,964	19	172,073	270	2,295,891	293	1,518,953	2	8,688	1	4,344	1	4,344	2	8,688
Ear, nose, and throat.....	70	642,946	33	307,000	37	335,946	32	144,612	4	15,899	1	4,344	3	11,555	5	21,720
Endocrines.....	390	3,471,058	19	175,000	371	3,296,058	66	429,788	3	4,344			3	4,344		
Eye and annexa.....	102	879,901	43	377,588	59	502,313	3	16,759	1	13,032			3	13,032	19	82,556
Genito-urinary system.....	675	5,705,518	43	384,000	632	5,321,518	194	1,149,959	1	3,903			1	3,903	2	8,688
Hernia.....	18	152,703	3	20,841	15	131,862	9	39,093	1	4,344			1	4,344	2	8,688
Joints and bursae.....	222	1,940,309	107	987,000	115	953,309	8	34,103							1	4,344
Lymphatic system.....	70	566,305	1	5,000	69	561,305	15	97,266								
Muscles, fasciae, tendons, and tendon sheaths.....	7	57,000	4	37,000	3	20,000	371	1,856,475	3	13,032			3	13,032	60	260,640
Nervous system.....	735	6,059,979	150	1,248,171	585	4,811,808	10	48,220								
Parasitic diseases.....	12	81,610	3	21,797	9	59,813	10	361,708							20	86,880
Poisonings and intoxications.....	8	74,225	1	10,000	7	64,225	68	574,668	39	168,826	12	52,128	27	116,698	16	69,504
Psychiatric diseases.....	1,332	11,131,769	329	2,652,630	1,003	8,479,139	102	40,970,045	2	8,308			2	8,308	546	2,371,824
Respiratory system.....	435	3,769,361	74	612,769	361	3,156,592	8,070	9,913								
Skin and its appendages.....	7	50,500	2	20,000	5	30,500	2	14,729,975	244	1,043,393	39	169,416	205	873,977	135	586,440
Tuberculosis.....	14,785	122,860,848	1,985	16,514,742	12,780	106,346,106	2,336	708,863	1	4,344			1	4,344	3	13,032
Tumors.....	427	3,568,309	14	116,867	413	3,451,442	125	106,713	1	4,344			1	4,344	4	17,376
Veneral diseases.....	125	1,053,357	20	163,000	105	890,357	19	106,713	1	4,344			1	4,344	3	13,032
Miscellaneous ¹	259	2,331,687	140	1,290,216	119	1,041,471	8,859	43,271,394	2	8,688			2	8,688	219	951,336
Amputations.....	177	1,623,764	107	968,712	70	655,052	6	42,197							3	13,032
Fractures.....	165	1,485,215	146	1,337,500	19	147,715	96	485,362	1	4,344			1	4,344	11	47,784

¹ Of this number 582 were immediately paid in lump sum amounting to \$3,644,592.

² Includes battle deaths, accidents, and injuries.

TABLE NO. 42.—Converted insurance death claims awarded during calendar year 1930, classified by plan of insurance

Plan of insurance	Effective date of award																							
	1920			1921			1922			1923			1924			1925			1926					
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount			
Ordinary life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$1,182	2	2	\$7,000	0	0	\$303
20-payment life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2,000
30-payment life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-year endowment.....	1	1	\$1,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2,000	5	5	8,000
30-year endowment.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4,547
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2,000
5-year convertible term.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Extended insurance.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paid-up life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	1	1	1,500	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	0	0	0	1	1	1,182	3	3	9,000	8	3	16,850			

Plan of insurance	Effective date of award—Continued												Total			Per cent of total		
	1927			1928			1929			1930			Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount						
Ordinary life.....	3	2	\$9,035	3	2	\$13,598	128	105	\$12,792	620	544	\$3,470,969	757	656	\$4,214,879	26.13	25.20	27.82
20-payment life.....	1	1	1,000	0	0	0	92	73	388,838	442	375	2,133,823	537	451	2,530,661	18.57	18.01	16.71
30-payment life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	8	36,509	85	67	439,765	95	75	476,264	3.28	3.00	3.14
20-year endowment.....	0	0	0	6	5	7,025	91	79	296,524	368	328	1,175,416	472	415	1,490,465	16.32	16.57	9.84
30-year endowment.....	0	0	0	2	2	10,048	20	16	76,656	78	70	342,469	101	89	433,720	3.49	3.56	2.86
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	15	116,479	118	93	694,194	144	113	722,673	4.98	4.51	4.77
5-year convertible term.....	3	3	25,595	9	9	69,638	115	93	771,625	511	467	3,937,237	639	572	4,704,195	22.06	22.84	31.05
Extended insurance.....	0	0	0	4	4	12,735	29	27	98,930	113	101	460,625	146	132	572,293	5.05	5.27	3.78
Paid-up life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	557	1	1	3,542	2	1	4,129	.07	.04	.03
Total.....	7	6	35,630	24	22	113,044	511	416	2,498,940	2,336	2,051	12,468,133	2,892	2,504	15,149,279	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE No. 43.—Converted insurance disability claims awarded during calendar year 1930, classified by plan of insurance

Plan of insurance	Effective date of award																					
	1920			1921			1922			1923			1924			1925			1926			
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	
Ordinary life.....	2	2	\$15,000	1	0	\$3,000	0	0	0	1	1	\$5,000	2	2	\$5,000	1	1	\$10,000	9	5	\$68,146	
20-payment life.....	0	0	0	6	1	15,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	18,000	3	2	12,000	8	7	28,273	
30-payment life.....	0	0	0	5	0	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	
20-year endowment.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	8,000	4	3	9,000	3	2	23,000	
30-year endowment.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	0	0	0	
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	0	0	0	2	1	13,369	0	0	0	
5-year convertible term.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5,000	1	1	5,000	
Extended insurance.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	10,000	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	
Paid-up life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paid-up endowment.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	2	2	15,000	12	1	23,000	0	0	0	2	2	15,000	11	9	41,000	12	8	54,369	23	17	130,419	

Plan of insurance	Effective date of award—Continued												Total			Per cent of total		
	1927			1928			1929			1930			Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount						
Ordinary life.....	7	5	\$45,276	20	16	\$122,000	139	110	\$778,924	190	167	\$1,125,735	372	309	\$2,178,081	22.63	22.61	23.68
20-payment life.....	5	4	17,000	14	11	59,500	115	92	527,132	125	110	587,746	280	230	1,264,651	17.03	18.83	13.75
30-payment life.....	1	0	1,000	1	0	3,000	19	12	96,000	22	19	122,605	49	32	232,605	2.98	2.34	2.53
20-year endowment.....	4	3	13,000	11	10	41,500	75	63	268,646	110	96	358,592	210	180	721,738	12.77	13.17	7.85
30-year endowment.....	4	3	9,000	1	1	2,000	11	7	34,000	23	21	103,987	40	33	153,987	2.43	2.41	1.67
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	2	2	20,533	42	24	138,363	31	27	189,500	78	55	351,770	4.75	4.02	3.82
5-year convertible term.....	48	36	325,506	57	46	399,271	161	139	1,205,820	281	245	2,111,886	549	467	4,052,453	33.40	34.16	44.05
Extended insurance.....	4	4	17,006	7	7	14,724	30	27	131,023	20	19	65,607	64	59	239,360	3.89	4.32	2.60
Paid-up life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	918	1	1	918	.06	.07	.01
Paid-up endowment.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3,879	0	0	0	1	1	3,879	.06	.07	.04
Total.....	73	55	427,788	113	93	662,528	593	475	3,183,792	803	705	4,646,576	1,644	1,367	9,199,472	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE NO. 44.—*Converted insurance disability claims terminated during calendar year 1930 on account of death of insured, classified by plan of insurance*

Plan of insurance	Duration of disability															
	One-half year				1 year				2 years				3 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death
Ordinary life.....	12	11	\$77, 879	\$75, 135	29	23	\$140, 740	\$132, 359	15	14	\$86, 340	\$78, 555	24	23	\$147, 785	\$128, 502
20-payment life.....	11	7	32, 990	30, 951	13	12	55, 740	51, 184	8	7	54, 000	49, 399	7	5	22, 000	19, 066
30-payment life.....	3	3	12, 000	11, 581	3	1	22, 000	20, 927	1	1	10, 000	9, 210	2	1	7, 000	6, 378
20-year endowment.....	6	5	10, 159	7, 863	16	13	59, 000	51, 973	11	11	21, 500	18, 590	4	4	13, 000	11, 500
30-year endowment.....	2	2	7, 000	6, 101	3	3	17, 000	16, 065	1	1	3, 000	2, 744	3	2	20, 000	18, 043
Endowment at 62.....	2	2	6, 000	5, 809	8	3	36, 150	32, 366	1	1	10, 000	9, 100	1	1	1, 000	918
5-year convertible term.....	13	10	101, 656	93, 588	40	36	304, 826	278, 716	29	27	234, 399	204, 178	11	9	94, 351	72, 839
Extended insurance.....	0	0	0	0	2	2	6, 812	6, 571	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	49	40	247, 684	231, 028	114	93	642, 268	590, 161	66	62	419, 239	371, 776	52	45	305, 636	257, 246

Plan of insurance	Duration of disability—Continued															
	4 years				5 years				6 years				7 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death
Ordinary life.....	11	11	\$77,979	\$65,752	5	3	\$18,000	\$14,150	4	4	\$31,000	\$23,844	3	2	\$5,500	\$3,844
20-payment life.....	4	4	17,000	14,387	5	5	18,000	14,221	5	5	28,000	21,163	5	4	15,000	10,965
30-payment life.....	1	1	5,000	4,168	0	0	0	0	1	1	2,000	1,543	0	0	0	0
20-year endowment.....	9	8	18,000	15,258	3	2	5,000	3,980	5	5	8,000	5,030	2	2	6,000	4,316
30-year endowment.....	2	1	12,000	10,189	2	2	7,000	5,630	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	10,000	7,642	0	0	0	0
5-year convertible term.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Extended insurance.....	3	3	3,000	2,531	2	2	2,900	2,367	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	30	28	132,979	112,285	17	14	50,900	40,348	17	16	79,000	60,222	10	8	26,500	19,125

Plan of insurance	Duration of disability—Continued												Total				Per cent of total		
	8 years				9 years				10 years										
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mut-ed value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	
Ordinary life.....	2	2	\$12,000	\$8,317	2	2	\$4,000	\$2,499	0	0	0	0	107	95	\$601,223	\$532,957	29.23	30.06	30.79
20-payment life.....	3	3	5,500	3,732	2	1	15,000	10,361	0	0	0	0	63	53	263,230	225,429	17.21	16.77	13.48
30-payment life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	8	58,000	53,807	3.01	2.53	2.97
20-year endowment.....	1	1	10,000	6,563	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$2,000	\$1,242	58	52	152,659	127,315	15.85	16.46	7.82
30-year endowment.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	11	66,000	58,772	3.55	3.48	3.38
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	8	63,150	55,835	3.83	2.53	3.23
5-year convertible term.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	93	82	735,732	649,321	25.41	25.95	37.68
Extended insurance.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	12,712	11,469	1.91	2.22	.65
Total.....	6	6	27,500	18,612	4	3	19,000	12,860	1	1	2,000	1,242	366	316	1,952,706	1,714,905	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE NO. 45.—*Converted insurance disability claims terminated during calendar year 1930, on account of recovery, classified by plan of insurance*

Plan of insurance	Duration of disability															
	One-half year				1 year				2 years				3 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery
Ordinary life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	\$30,000	\$28,518	5	5	\$43,000	\$37,748
20-payment life.....	1	0	\$1,500	\$1,481	2	1	\$2,000	\$1,934	1	1	5,000	4,574	0	0	0	0
30-payment life.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-year endowment.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	958	0	0	0	0	3	3	12,000	10,562
20-year endowment.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	946	1	0	1,000	940	0	0	0	0
Endowment at 62.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	940	0	0	0	0
5-year convertible term.....	0	0	0	0	3	2	24,000	23,178	8	3	35,000	32,077	2	2	20,000	17,915
Extended insurance.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	1	0	1,500	1,481	7	5	28,000	27,016	15	9	72,000	67,049	10	10	75,000	66,225

Plan of insurance	Duration of disability—Continued															
	4 years				5 years				6 years				7 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery
Ordinary life	2	1	\$6,392	\$5,263	2	2	\$15,000	\$12,213	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-payment life	2	2	7,500	6,451	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$4,901	\$3,763	0	0	0	0
30-payment life	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-year endowment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	997	787	0	0	0	0
30-year endowment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	782	0	0	0	0
Endowment at 62	1	1	10,000	8,732	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5-year convertible term	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Extended insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$1,858	\$1,419
Total	5	4	23,892	20,446	2	2	15,000	12,213	3	3	6,898	5,332	1	1	1,858	1,419

Plan of insurance	Duration of disability—Continued								Total				Per cent of total		
	8 years				Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at recovery											
Ordinary life	0	0	0	0	13	12	\$94,392	\$83,742	28.89	34.29	41.92				
20-payment life	1	1	\$1,000	\$672	8	6	21,901	18,875	17.78	17.14	9.73				
30-payment life	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
20-year endowment	0	0	0	0	5	5	13,997	12,307	11.11	14.29	6.22				
30-year endowment	0	0	0	0	3	2	3,000	2,688	6.67	5.71	1.33				
Endowment at 62	0	0	0	0	2	2	11,000	9,672	4.44	5.71	4.88				
5-year convertible term	0	0	0	0	13	7	79,000	73,170	28.89	20.00	35.09				
Extended insurance	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,858	1,419	2.22	2.86	.83				
Total	1	1	1,000	672	45	35	225,148	201,853	100.00	100.00	100.00				

TABLE No. 46.—*Converted insurance death claims awarded during calendar year 1930, by class of disability causing death*

Classification	Effective date of award																				
	1920			1921			1922			1923			1924			1925			1926		
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bones and cartilages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$2,000	0	0	0
Circulatory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	\$10,000
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ear, nose, and throat.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Endocrines.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Genito-urinary system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hernia.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joints and bursae.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4,850
Obstetric and gynecological.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poisonings and intoxications.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Respiratory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2,000
Skin and its appendages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	1	1	\$1,500	0	0	0	1	1	\$5,000	0	0	0	1	1	\$1,182	2	2	7,000	0	0	0
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veneral.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	1	1	1,500	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	0	0	0	1	1	1,182	3	3	9,000	8	3	16,850

Classification	Effective date of award—Continued												Total			Per cent of total		
	1927			1928			1929			1930								
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	\$15,000	23	16	\$85,706	26	19	\$100,706	0.90	0.76	0.67
Bones and cartilages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	18	115,165	129	119	697,920	150	138	815,085	5.19	5.51	5.38
Circulatory system.....	1	1	\$10,000	2	2	\$10,966	111	86	534,375	537	476	3,017,815	651	565	3,573,156	22.51	22.56	23.59
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	0	0	0	2	2	11,000	15	11	85,532	65	51	286,675	88	65	393,207	3.04	2.60	2.60
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	23	150,178	161	134	884,471	186	157	1,034,649	6.43	6.27	6.83
Ear, nose, and throat.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	9	58,000	13	9	58,000	.45	.36	.38
Endocrines.....	1	1	10,000	0	0	0	2	2	6,000	14	13	97,572	17	16	113,572	.59	.64	.75
Genito-urinary system.....	1	0	1,000	3	3	15,814	27	23	130,116	100	84	503,402	131	110	650,332	4.53	4.39	4.29
Hernia.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	2	1	10,000	3	2	15,000	.10	.08	.10
Joints and bursae.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	15,721	4	3	15,721	.14	.12	.10
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	17,000	6	6	17,000	.21	.24	.11
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	0	48	11	10	61,728	66	59	356,522	78	70	423,148	2.70	2.80	2.79
Obstetric and gynecological.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	1	1	5,000	.03	.04	.03
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	6,000	0	0	0	2	2	6,000	.07	.08	.04
Poisonings and intoxications.....	0	0	595	0	0	0	28	18	125,292	67	56	382,809	95	74	508,696	3.28	2.95	3.36
Psychiatric.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	12	12	72,251	13	13	82,251	.45	.52	.54
Respiratory system.....	0	0	0	3	2	14,000	60	50	253,738	216	187	1,159,339	280	240	1,429,077	9.68	9.58	9.44
Skin and its appendages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	3,000	15	13	71,371	18	14	74,371	.62	.56	.49
Tuberculosis.....	1	1	3,035	8	7	36,716	80	67	348,822	298	265	1,458,619	392	345	1,861,874	13.56	13.73	12.29
Tumors.....	0	0	0	2	2	3,500	24	23	153,019	144	133	721,162	170	158	877,681	5.88	6.31	5.79
Veneral.....	1	1	5,000	0	0	0	2	1	3,000	8	7	43,000	11	9	51,000	.38	.36	.34
Miscellaneous.....	2	2	6,000	4	4	21,000	96	76	492,975	455	406	2,523,778	557	488	3,043,753	19.26	19.49	20.09
Total.....	7	6	35,630	24	22	113,044	511	416	2,498,940	2,336	2,051	12,468,133	2,892	2,504	15,149,279	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE No. 47.—*Converted insurance disability claims awarded during calendar year 1930, classified by cause of disability*

Classification	Effective date of award																				
	1920			1921			1922			1923			1924			1925			1926		
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$5,000	0	0	0
Bones and cartilages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circulatory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$5,000	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ear, nose, and throat.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Endocrines.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eye and annexa.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Genito-urinary system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hernia.....	1	1	\$10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000
Joints and bursae.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	1	1	1,000	1	1	5,000
Muscles, fasciae, tendons, and tendon sheaths.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	9,000	0	0	0	3	3	13,000
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric.....	0	0	0	10	1	\$10,000	0	0	0	2	2	\$15,000	4	3	13,000	4	3	16,000	2	2	10,760
Respiratory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Skin and its appendages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	1	1	5,000	2	0	13,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	30,369	14	8	81,669
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veneral.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2,000	0	0	0
Total.....	2	2	15,000	12	1	23,000	0	0	0	2	2	15,000	11	9	41,000	12	8	54,369	23	17	130,419

Classification	Effective date of award—Continued												Total			Per cent of total		
	1927			1928			1929			1930								
	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount	Number	Lives	Amount
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	2	1	\$5,000	2	2	\$15,000	3	3	\$22,728	8	7	\$47,728	0.49	0.51	0.52
Bones and cartilages.....	1	1	\$5,000	3	2	22,000	5	5	28,000	12	12	70,500	21	20	125,500	1.28	1.46	1.36
Circulatory system.....	4	3	39,737	18	14	126,150	76	56	414,761	110	99	689,933	210	174	1,285,581	12.77	12.73	13.97
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	1	1	10,000	2	2	12,000	9	7	42,472	17	11	61,000	30	22	130,472	1.83	1.61	1.42
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	3	2	20,000	2	2	16,000	1	1	10,000	6	5	46,000	.36	.37	.50
Ear, nose, and throat.....	2	2	3,000	1	1	10,000	1	1	10,000	10	8	73,165	14	12	96,165	.85	.88	1.05
Endocrines.....	3	3	22,000	1	1	5,000	7	7	45,994	24	21	166,000	35	32	238,994	2.13	2.34	2.60
Eye and annaxa.....	1	1	10,000	2	2	10,000	7	6	46,000	7	7	45,500	17	16	111,500	1.04	1.17	1.21
Genito-urinary system.....	6	1	10,000	0	0	0	14	10	64,170	18	16	120,000	39	28	199,170	2.37	2.05	2.17
Hernia.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	10,000	2	2	12,500	6	4	32,500	.36	.29	.35
Joints and bursae.....	1	1	10,000	3	2	25,000	19	18	112,500	39	35	227,000	65	59	390,500	3.95	4.32	4.24
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	25,000	5	3	21,000	9	7	46,000	.55	.51	.50
Muscles, fasciae, tendons, and tendon sheaths.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	12,000	2	2	12,000	.12	.15	.13
Nervous system.....	2	1	6,000	13	12	83,144	88	67	396,840	98	89	557,386	207	174	1,065,370	12.59	12.73	11.58
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	.06	.07	.01
Psychiatric.....	21	16	93,657	18	17	62,344	110	87	558,766	65	61	371,337	236	192	1,150,854	14.36	14.05	12.51
Respiratory system.....	3	3	30,000	4	3	16,000	16	14	92,000	34	28	202,038	59	50	344,038	3.59	3.66	3.74
Skin and its appendages.....	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	1	0	5,000	2	2	8,000	4	3	23,000	.24	.22	.25
Tuberculosis.....	28	22	188,394	40	31	242,890	191	156	1,107,410	289	247	1,660,989	570	468	3,329,721	34.67	34.23	36.20
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	12	61,879	28	23	129,500	43	35	191,379	2.62	2.56	2.08
Veneral.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	13,000	4	4	24,000	9	7	37,000	.55	.51	.40
Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	2	2	13,000	17	16	118,000	33	31	162,000	53	49	295,000	3.22	3.58	3.21
Total.....	73	55	427,788	113	93	662,528	593	475	3,183,792	803	705	4,646,576	1,644	1,367	9,199,472	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE No. 48.—Converted insurance disability claims terminated during calendar year 1930 on account of death of insured, by class of disability

Classification	Duration of disability																			
	One-half year				1 year				2 years				3 years				4 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000	\$8,830	0	0	0	0
Bones and cartilages.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$1,000	\$878	1	1	\$2,000	\$1,885	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circulatory system.....	10	4	\$26,000	\$23,858	15	11	93,890	89,842	7	6	38,000	34,392	2	2	11,737	1,798	2	2	\$14,479	\$12,072
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	837
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Endocrines.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,846	0	0	0	0	1	1	2,000	1,740	1	1	5,000	4,218
Genito-urinary system.....	4	4	18,159	17,628	7	5	20,000	18,288	1	1	10,000	9,303	1	1	10,000	9,116	0	0	0	0
Joints and bursae.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	8,728	1	1	5,000	4,264	2	2	4,000	3,573	0	0	0	0
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,487	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nervous system.....	2	2	10,000	9,363	12	10	83,000	75,460	2	2	11,000	9,927	2	2	15,000	13,073	4	4	35,000	29,540
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,148	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric.....	1	1	3,000	2,891	2	2	3,000	2,843	4	2	21,651	18,950	2	2	19,750	17,211	4	4	5,000	4,218
Respiratory system.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	4,864	1	1	2,000	1,848	2	2	13,535	11,724	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	25	22	153,525	142,866	69	56	393,378	357,375	45	44	297,588	261,853	37	30	211,114	182,533	18	18	72,500	61,400
Tumors.....	5	5	31,000	29,053	2	2	6,000	5,849	3	3	22,000	20,206	2	2	8,500	7,648	0	0	0	0
Veneral.....	1	1	4,000	3,619	1	1	5,000	4,804	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous.....	1	1	2,000	1,750	1	1	2,000	1,897	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	49	40	247,684	231,028	114	93	642,268	590,161	66	62	419,239	371,776	52	45	305,636	257,246	30	28	132,979	112,285

Duration of disability—Continued

Classification	5 years				6 years				7 years				8 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-muted value at death
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bones and cartilages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circulatory system.....	4	3	\$10,000	\$7,842	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000	\$7,359	0	0	0	0
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000	\$7,636	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Endocrines.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Genito-urinary system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joints and bursæ.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	2,000	1,507	1	1	1,000	721	0	0	0	0
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nervous system.....	1	1	3,000	2,408	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	\$3,000	\$2,053
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric.....	1	1	1,000	803	2	1	10,000	7,642	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Respiratory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	11	9	36,900	29,295	13	13	57,000	43,437	8	6	15,500	11,015	4	4	24,500	16,559
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veneæal.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	17	14	50,900	40,348	17	16	79,000	60,222	10	8	26,500	19,125	6	6	27,500	18,612

TABLE No. 48.—Converted insurance disability claims terminated during calendar year 1930 on account of death of insured, by class of disability—Continued

Classification	Duration of disability—Continued								Total				Per cent of total		
	9 years				10 years				Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Commuted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Commuted value at death	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Commuted value at death							
Blood and blood-forming organs.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000	\$8,830	0.27	0.32	0.51
Bones and cartilages.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	3,000	2,763	.55	.63	.15
Circulatory system.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$2,000	\$1,242	42	30	206,106	178,435	11.48	9.49	10.56
Communicable and infectious diseases.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1,000	837	.27	.32	.05
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10,000	7,636	.27	.32	.51
Endocrines.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	17,000	15,804	.82	.95	.87
Genito-urinary system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	11	58,159	54,335	3.55	3.48	2.58
Joints and bursæ.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	22,000	18,793	1.64	1.90	1.13
Lymphatic system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10,000	9,487	.27	.32	.51
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	23	160,000	141,824	6.83	7.28	8.19
Parasitic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,148	.27	.32	.51
Psychiatric.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	13	63,401	54,558	4.37	4.11	3.25
Respiratory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	20,535	18,436	1.09	1.26	1.05
Tuberculosis.....	4	3	\$19,000	\$12,860	0	0	0	0	234	203	1,281,005	1,119,193	63.94	64.24	65.60
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	67,500	62,756	3.28	3.80	3.46
Venereal.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	9,000	8,423	.55	.63	.46
Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4,000	3,647	.55	.63	.21
Total.....	4	3	19,000	12,860	1	1	2,000	1,242	366	316	1,952,706	1,714,905	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE No. 49.—*Converted insurance disability claims terminated during calendar year 1930 on account of recovery, classified by cause of disability*

Classification	Duration of disability															
	One-half year				1 year				2 years				3 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery
Circulatory system.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000	\$9,608	1	1	\$10,000	\$9,757	1	1	\$10,000	\$9,053
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,334	0	0	0	0
Ear, nose, and throat.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joints and bursae.....	1	0	\$1,500	\$1,481	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	8,958	0	0	0	0
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5,000	4,683	1	1	2,000	1,733
Psychiatric.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,787	5	3	22,000	20,238	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	0	0	0	0	3	2	6,000	5,687	6	2	15,000	14,079	8	8	63,000	55,439
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	2	1	2,000	1,934	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	1	0	1,500	1,481	7	5	28,000	27,016	15	9	72,000	67,049	10	10	75,000	66,225

TABLE No. 49.—Converted insurance disability claims terminated during calendar year 1930 on account of recovery, classified by cause of disability—Continued

Classification	Duration of disability—Continued															
	4 years				5 years				6 years				7 years			
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery
Circulatory system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ear, nose, and throat.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$10,000	\$8,165	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joints and bursae.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric.....	2	2	\$12,500	\$10,849	0	0	0	0	2	2	\$5,898	\$4,550	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	3	2	11,392	9,597	1	1	5,000	4,048	1	1	1,000	782	0	0	0	0
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$1,868	\$1,419
Total.....	5	4	23,892	20,446	2	2	15,000	12,213	3	3	6,898	5,332	1	1	1,868	1,419

Classification	Duration of disability—Contd.										Total			Per cent of total		
	8 years															
	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery	Number	Lives	Amount of insurance	Com-mutated value at recovery
Circulatory system.....	0	0	0	0	3	3	\$30,000	\$28,418	6.67	8.57	13.33					
Digestive system.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	9,334	2.22	2.86	4.44					
Ear, nose, and throat.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	10,000	8,165	2.22	2.86	4.44					
Joints and bursae.....	0	0	0	0	2	1	11,500	10,439	4.44	2.86	5.11					
Nervous system.....	0	0	0	0	2	2	7,000	6,416	4.44	5.71	3.11					
Psychiatric.....	1	1	\$1,000	\$672	11	9	51,398	46,096	24.45	25.71	22.83					
Tuberculosis.....	0	0	0	0	22	16	101,392	89,632	48.89	45.72	45.03					
Tumors.....	0	0	0	0	3	2	3,858	3,353	6.67	5.71	1.71					
Total.....	1	1	1,000	672	45	35	225,148	201,853	100.00	100.00	100.00					

TABLE NO. 50.—Report of United States Government life insurance in force December 31, 1930

TOTAL, ALL PLANS

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
Insurance in force Dec. 31, 1929.....	648,386	\$3,049,316,985.41	665,732	\$3,125,840,268.41
Issued during 1930.....	17,346	76,523,283.00		
Total.....				
Terminations:				
Death claims awarded.....	2,913	15,274,689.41		
Disability claims awarded.....	1,178	6,881,653.04		
Matured endowments.....	28	111,121.00		
Surrendered for cash.....	5,344	19,323,150.00		
Surrendered for paid-up insurance.....	166	784,000.00		
Lapsed.....	14,783	73,290,244.00		
Reduced.....	0	1,181,148.00		
Canceled.....	306	1,465,783.00		
Expired.....	8,587	40,413,858.00		
Change in data.....	5,060	22,060,957.00		
Total terminations.....	38,365	180,786,603.45		
Additions:				
Rerated disability claims.....	40	160,007.00		
Paid-up insurance issued.....	168	198,209.00		
Revived.....	3,949	18,958,039.00		
Continued under extended insurance.....	9,844	45,418,116.00		
Change in data.....	5,080	22,060,307.00		
Total additions.....	19,081	86,787,678.00		
Net terminations.....			19,284	93,998,925.45
Insurance in force Dec. 31, 1930.....			646,448	3,031,841,342.96

TABLE NO. 51.—Report of United States Government life insurance in force by plan, as of December 31, 1930

Plan	Number	Amount	Plan	Number	Amount
Ordinary Life.....	188,163	\$740,499,426.51	Extended insurance.....	21,225	\$64,590,422.19
20-payment life.....	166,331	729,657,785.85	Paid-up life.....	419	447,902.08
30-payment life.....	28,672	147,459,738.00	Paid-up endowment.....	208	207,834.67
20-year endowment.....	125,059	368,901,509.00	Paid-up term.....	4	871.00
30-year endowment.....	34,314	147,097,688.00	Total.....	646,448	3,031,841,342.96
Endowment at age 62.....	34,409	167,443,456.66			
5-year convertible term..	97,644	665,534,714.00			

ADJUSTED COMPENSATION TABLES

TABLE NO. 52.—Number of applications for adjusted compensation received by fiscal years from September, 1924, to June 30, 1931

Date	Applications received
Total.....	3,828,146
Fiscal year 1931.....	108,938
1930.....	30,840
1929.....	138,689
1928.....	124,175
1927.....	183,316
1926.....	397,008
To June 30, 1925.....	2,845,180

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TABLE NO. 53.—Action taken on applications for adjusted compensation to June 30, 1931

Branch of service and type of claim	Number	Amount
Grand total	3,790,811	\$3,607,007,836.21
Cash:		
(a) Veterans (\$50 or less).....	132,674	4,565,899.21
(b) Dependents (less than \$50).....	7,414	200,834.00
Dependents (\$50 or over).....	104,464	36,876,816.00
Certificates.....	3,546,259	3,562,568,587.00
\$60 lump-sum payments.....		2,795,700.00
Army:		
Total.....	3,233,955	3,054,073,892.10
Cash—		
(a) Veterans (\$50 or less).....	122,729	4,295,381.35
(b) Dependents (less than \$50).....	6,828	186,106.74
Dependents (\$50 or over).....	92,534	32,044,049.01
Certificates.....	3,031,864	3,015,013,833.00
\$60 lump-sum payments.....		2,534,520.00
Navy:		
Total.....	468,135	481,290,056.42
Cash—		
(a) Veterans (\$50 or less).....	9,441	253,789.19
(b) Dependents (less than \$50).....	517	12,740.58
Dependents (\$50 or over).....	3,371	3,817,837.65
Certificates.....	448,896	477,034,689.00
\$60 lump-sum payments.....		171,000.00
Marine Corps:		
Total.....	68,721	71,643,887.69
Cash—		
(a) Veterans (\$50 or less).....	504	16,728.67
(b) Dependents (less than \$50).....	69	1,984.68
Dependents (\$50 or over).....	2,589	1,014,929.34
Certificates.....	65,589	70,520,065.00
\$60 lump-sum payments.....		90,180.00

TABLE NO. 54.—Death claims awarded on account of adjusted compensation arranged by beneficiary, as of June 30, 1931

Beneficiary	Total		Payments to dependents (less than \$50)		Payments to dependents (\$50 or over)		\$60 bonus (lump-sum payment)	Payments on certificates matured by death	
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount		Number	Amount
Total.....	218,897	\$147,890,796	7,414	\$300,874,806	104,464	\$72,816,678,816	\$2,795,700	106,029	\$108,007,445
Widow or widower.....	82,238	63,896,126	1,864	53,045	27,646	16,126,791	241,829	53,744	53,474,670
Child or children.....	11,780	5,806,652	917	22,979	7,926	2,626,022	220,389	2,945	2,864,271
Mother.....	82,832	42,901,824	3,980	105,606	55,770	20,124,269	1,980,960	20,832	20,690,659
Father.....	15,633	8,429,370	695	18,413	10,742	3,773,570	348,660	4,190	4,288,727
Parent or parents and others.....	105	109,686						105	109,686
Other relatives.....	16,124	16,194,349	18		392	154,134	4,080	15,714	16,035,644
Estate.....	7,693	7,719,954						7,693	7,719,954
Other persons.....	2,608	2,729,259						2,608	2,729,259
Orphanage, hospital, etc.....	94	94,575						94	94,575

TABLE No. 55.—Statement showing, by field stations, the number and amount of loans made on adjusted service certificates to June 30, 1931, under the amendment of February 27, 1931, to the World War adjusted compensation act

[Gross number and amount of loans]

Location	Number	Amount	Location	Number	Amount
Washington, D. C.....	417,804	\$152,858,078.98	Los Angeles, Calif.....	66,294	\$27,160,809.00
Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	9,087	3,413,862.39	Louisville, Ky.....	23,186	7,711,999.58
Atlanta, Ga.....	34,615	10,978,357.76	Manchester, N. H.....	4,774	1,873,743.94
Baltimore, Md.....	10,540	4,144,208.22	Manila, P. I.....	2,375	1,096,169.00
Birmingham, Ala.....	31,262	9,870,474.00	Milwaukee, Wis.....	38,781	14,709,071.37
Boise, Idaho.....	6,123	2,494,327.48	Minneapolis, Minn.....	20,810	7,377,528.06
Boston, Mass.....	55,820	22,791,507.88	Nashville, Tenn.....	31,229	10,913,445.30
Buffalo, N. Y.....	46,561	17,738,488.88	Newark, N. J.....	38,863	16,768,609.67
Burlington, Vt.....	3,161	1,352,311.84	New Orleans, La.....	31,808	10,573,798.00
Casper, Wyo.....	4,417	1,691,788.74	New York, N. Y.....	153,200	79,115,331.78
Charleston, W. Va.....	20,328	7,031,110.00	Oklahoma City, Okla.....	36,704	12,752,031.66
Charlotte, N. C.....	35,915	12,433,339.28	Omaha, Nebr.....	15,109	5,719,870.98
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	43,645	16,247,858.89	Philadelphia, Pa.....	78,288	31,451,314.18
Cleveland, Ohio.....	53,863	21,224,705.42	Phoenix, Ariz.....	7,668	2,964,228.98
Columbia, S. C.....	17,736	5,383,829.54	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	46,921	18,936,709.34
Dallas, Tex.....	41,713	14,925,188.47	Portland, Me.....	7,372	2,894,882.66
Denver, Colo.....	14,980	5,479,896.01	Portland, Oreg.....	19,490	7,477,000.00
Des Moines, Iowa.....	21,203	7,732,039.28	Providence, R. I.....	13,614	5,289,937.79
Detroit, Mich.....	72,955	28,173,002.00	Reno, Nev.....	2,072	832,261.00
Fargo, N. D.....	5,249	1,881,900.00	Richmond, Va.....	25,865	9,349,129.23
Fort Harrison, Mont.....	6,801	2,562,212.17	St. Louis, Mo.....	34,530	12,122,505.69
Hartford, Conn.....	19,408	8,513,951.44	Salt Lake City, Utah.....	7,466	2,720,324.97
Hines, Ill.....	118,160	45,837,241.34	San Antonio, Tex.....	29,756	11,160,036.37
Honolulu, T. H.....	4,904	1,602,916.00	San Francisco, Calif.....	50,298	21,133,029.76
Indianapolis, Ind.....	34,128	12,582,603.38	Seattle, Wash.....	25,241	9,657,279.76
Jackson, Miss.....	24,994	7,749,332.00	Sioux Falls, S. D.....	6,230	2,165,229.96
Jacksonville, Fla.....	27,373	9,464,496.00	Wichita, Kans.....	18,874	6,988,116.28
Kansas City, Mo.....	28,450	10,116,508.99			
Little Rock, Ark.....	16,610	5,256,791.14			
			Total.....	2,064,609	792,436,116.97

DISABILITY ALLOWANCE TABLE

TABLE NO. 57.—Statement showing, for the central and each field office of the Veterans' Administration, the number of applications filed for disability allowance, the number adjudicated, and the total active awards by percentage of disability as of June 30, 1931

Central office and field offices	Total applications	Adjudicated										Pending		
		Active awards					Terminated		Disallowed		Adjudicated			
		Total active	Per cent active	25 per cent disability	50 per cent disability	75 per cent disability	Total disability	Total terminated	Per cent terminated	Total disallowed	Per cent disallowed		Total adjudicated	Per cent adjudicated
Grand total.....	541,943	229,568	51.19	139,692	55,142	15,437	19,297	9,505	2.12	209,368	46.69	448,441	82.75	93,502
Total central office.....	7,207	549	9.15	264	97	78	110	2,830	47.17	2,621	43.68	6,000	83.25	1,207
Total field offices.....	534,736	229,019	51.76	139,428	55,045	15,359	19,187	6,675	1.51	206,747	46.73	442,441	82.74	92,295
Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	3,283	1,224	41.69	681	219	90	234	90	3.06	1,622	55.25	2,936	89.43	347
Baltimore, Md.....	4,832	2,292	51.00	1,240	601	145	206	2,202	45.58	2,202	49.00	4,494	93.00	338
Birmingham, Ala.....	20,686	8,815	51.65	5,733	2,103	450	529	120	.70	8,134	47.65	17,069	82.51	3,617
Boston, Mass.....	16,986	7,967	59.29	4,442	2,351	535	639	142	1.05	5,329	39.66	13,438	79.11	3,548
Buffalo, N. Y.....	8,577	3,949	58.41	2,072	1,034	325	518	177	2.62	2,635	38.97	6,761	78.83	1,816
Burlington, Vt.....	1,100	536	62.91	330	143	34	28	19	2.23	297	34.86	852	77.45	248
Casper, Wyo.....	1,833	780	65.33	370	170	78	62	40	3.35	374	31.32	1,194	89.44	141
Charleston, W. Va.....	6,747	2,850	58.15	1,852	661	185	152	67	1.25	2,445	45.60	5,362	79.47	1,385
Charlotte, N. C.....	8,566	2,981	39.83	1,902	634	137	318	67	.79	4,285	59.88	7,223	84.44	1,333
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	26,284	13,124	59.77	7,202	3,758	1,231	933	306	1.40	8,527	38.83	21,957	83.54	4,327
Cleveland, Ohio.....	18,838	7,267	43.99	4,572	1,825	379	391	200	1.21	9,054	54.80	16,521	87.71	2,314
Columbus, S. C.....	9,448	3,578	58.43	2,365	817	200	196	141	2.11	2,971	44.41	6,690	70.81	2,758
Dallas, Tex.....	13,777	5,542	45.25	3,585	1,188	284	283	180	1.47	6,526	53.28	12,248	88.98	1,524
Denver, Colo.....	5,706	2,465	49.81	1,421	518	157	269	71	1.43	2,413	48.76	4,949	86.73	757
Des Moines, Iowa.....	9,606	4,180	53.94	2,591	895	192	372	172	2.22	3,397	43.84	7,749	80.70	1,853
Detroit, Mich.....	16,026	6,179	48.39	3,740	1,412	403	624	344	2.69	6,247	48.92	12,770	79.67	3,259
Indianapolis, Ind.....	25,668	11,276	50.59	7,908	2,571	426	371	162	.72	10,879	48.75	22,317	86.94	3,351
Jackson, Miss.....	15,260	9,242	70.82	4,658	3,369	859	456	281	2.15	8,528	37.08	13,061	85.82	2,200
Jacksonville, Fla.....	7,456	3,059	49.61	1,889	749	202	219	66	1.07	3,041	49.32	6,166	82.67	1,293
Jacksonville, Mo.....	14,814	6,113	46.72	4,142	1,243	370	358	136	1.04	6,834	52.24	13,063	88.33	1,731
Kansas City, Mo.....	15,941	9,373	65.06	5,870	2,947	576	380	200	1.40	4,703	33.94	14,276	89.56	1,665
Little Rock, Ark.....	16,144	5,791	45.26	3,089	1,501	470	721	224	1.75	6,768	52.99	12,773	79.12	3,371
Los Angeles, Calif.....	25,361	9,661	52.73	6,452	2,294	662	413	215	1.18	8,448	46.10	18,324	72.25	7,037
Louisville, Ky.....	1,480	594	46.70	383	124	41	46	11	.96	667	52.44	1,272	87.86	184
Manchester, N. H.....	10,178	5,106	57.21	2,825	1,282	443	556	453	6.06	3,366	37.71	8,925	87.69	1,253
Milwaukee, Wis.....	16,503	6,593	52.03	4,459	1,408	410	316	193	1.52	5,886	46.45	12,672	76.79	3,831
Nashville, Tenn.....	8,914	3,407	47.50	1,956	832	264	264	144	2.01	3,621	50.49	7,172	80.46	1,742

New York, N. Y.	17,964	6,315	44.80	3,131	1,152	417	1,615	193	1.37	7,589	53.83	14,097	78.47	3,867
Oklahoma City, Okla.	15,152	6,424	51.57	4,038	1,641	408	337	104	.83	5,930	47.60	12,458	82.22	2,694
Philadelphia, Pa.	19,962	8,817	55.16	6,065	1,853	410	489	227	1.42	6,941	43.42	15,985	80.08	3,977
Phoenix, Ariz.	2,811	1,267	49.47	636	248	122	261	70	2.74	1,224	47.79	2,561	91.11	250
Pittsburgh, Pa.	11,334	5,064	54.82	3,058	1,226	346	434	232	2.51	3,941	42.67	9,237	81.50	2,097
Portland, Me.	2,754	1,466	60.68	954	319	81	112	21	.87	929	38.45	2,416	87.73	338
Providence, R. I.	4,817	2,262	53.23	1,571	421	112	158	32	.75	1,956	46.02	4,250	88.23	567
Reno, Nev.	430	260	65.65	134	79	27	20	3	.76	133	33.59	396	92.09	34
Richmond, Va.	6,538	2,340	44.67	1,243	475	248	324	11	.86	2,898	55.33	5,238	80.12	1,300
Salt Lake City, Utah	1,505	492	38.41	306	116	30	40	11	.86	778	60.73	1,281	86.12	224
San Antonio, Tex.	6,462	2,636	48.66	1,537	506	189	404	125	2.30	2,668	49.14	5,429	84.01	1,033
San Francisco, Calif.	9,694	3,865	47.21	1,931	918	352	664	125	1.53	4,197	51.26	8,187	84.45	1,507
Seattle, Wash.	4,160	1,769	46.21	945	408	142	274	94	2.46	1,965	51.33	3,828	92.02	332
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	1,959	818	50.03	497	184	50	87	28	1.71	789	48.26	1,635	83.46	324
St. Louis, Mo.	12,800	4,471	42.94	3,245	734	207	285	160	1.54	5,780	55.52	10,411	81.34	2,389
Washington, D. C.	6,298	2,064	50.35	1,165	538	161	220	61	1.47	1,994	48.18	4,139	78.12	1,159
Wichita, Kans.	6,415	2,559	47.35	1,634	573	206	146	52	.96	2,794	51.69	5,405	84.26	1,010
Veterans' Administration offices:														
Atlanta, Ga.	17,026	8,091	57.30	4,762	2,314	639	376	151	1.07	5,879	41.63	14,121	82.94	2,905
Boise, Idaho.	1,106	396	39.48	186	88	29	93	21	2.10	586	58.42	1,003	90.69	103
Fargo, N. Dak.	1,155	613	61.24	318	155	53	87	47	4.69	341	34.07	1,001	86.67	154
Fort Harrison, Mont.	1,592	743	55.99	414	182	49	98	34	2.56	550	41.45	1,327	83.35	265
Hines, Ill.	26,919	9,893	45.94	5,821	1,857	737	1,478	248	1.15	11,394	52.91	21,535	80.00	5,384
Lincoln, Nebr.	6,028	3,143	60.42	2,132	697	162	152	90	1.73	1,969	37.85	5,202	86.30	826
Lyons, N. J.	5,882	2,438	45.40	1,324	531	198	385	61	1.14	2,871	53.46	5,370	91.30	512
Minneapolis, Minn.	8,352	3,272	43.21	1,875	668	221	508	164	2.17	4,136	54.62	7,572	90.66	780
Newington, Conn.	3,940	2,177	68.01	1,326	587	111	153	54	1.69	970	30.30	3,201	81.24	739
Portland, Oreg.	3,195	1,510	52.03	800	409	123	178	56	1.93	1,336	46.04	2,902	90.83	293

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TABLE No. 58.—Statement showing by fiscal years the average present by major wars, the cost per capita, and the amount expended for maintenance at all branches from date of organization to 1931

	Average present				Cost per capita, maintenance	Amount expended for maintenance
	Civil War	Spanish-American War	World War	Total		
Period ending Dec. 31, 1867	479			479	\$273.65	\$131,077.12
Year ending Dec. 31, 1869	899			899	495.37	440,382.00
11 months ending Nov. 30, 1869	1,309			1,309	261.92	329,765.57
Year ending Nov. 30:						
1870	1,685			1,685	262.01	441,492.15
1871	2,061			2,061	244.60	511,477.92
1872	2,336			2,336	223.34	521,714.53
1873	2,674			2,674	174.68	449,627.47
1874	3,286			3,286	166.47	547,018.76
1875	3,685			3,685	167.74	613,144.40
13 months ending Dec. 31, 1876	4,170			4,170	172.63	720,006.53
Year ending Dec. 31:						
1877	4,751			4,751	129.58	615,613.95
1878	5,322			5,322	129.38	688,578.25
6 months ending June 30, 1879	5,677			5,677	63.71	361,654.77
Year ending June 30:						
1880	5,603			5,603	118.23	662,453.18
1881	5,822			5,822	132.17	769,477.86
1882	6,061			6,061	125.07	760,535.97
1883	6,738			6,738	137.36	925,525.14
1884	7,494			7,494	132.26	991,159.17
1885	8,118			8,118	133.65	1,125,533.74
1886	8,758			8,758	125.60	1,100,046.23
1887	8,718			8,718	138.02	1,341,234.95
1888	10,681			10,681	132.14	1,411,411.00
1889	11,727			11,727	144.83	1,698,463.35
1890	12,935			12,935	141.07	1,824,727.68
1891	13,931			13,931	139.50	1,943,383.94
1892	14,196			14,196	143.75	2,040,736.42
1893	14,661			14,661	140.95	2,066,527.94
1894	15,601			15,601	127.45	1,988,391.67
1895	16,480			16,480	115.80	1,908,435.07
1896	17,454			17,454	111.66	1,947,925.16
1897	18,173			18,173	119.23	2,166,809.37
1898	18,556			18,556	117.84	2,186,687.79
1899	18,514			18,514	123.97	2,332,306.40
1900	19,138			19,330	130.91	2,517,370.57
1901	19,715			20,016	133.36	2,669,266.82
1902	20,095			20,506	141.57	2,902,942.26
1903	20,091			20,533	144.06	3,060,815.68
1904	20,219			20,737	156.38	3,242,792.38
1905	20,464			21,097	157.76	3,343,696.67
1906	20,367			21,105	154.55	3,261,790.99
1907	19,887			20,715	157.23	3,344,875.04
1908	19,023			19,919	184.62	3,697,735.42
1909	19,064			19,438	184.38	3,738,408.12
1910	18,273	1,212		19,645	192.05	3,882,782.99
1911	17,562	1,417		18,979	195.83	3,716,585.32
1912	17,269	1,708		18,977	198.81	3,772,888.43
1913	15,627	1,931		17,558	207.87	3,649,861.61
1914	14,735	2,015		16,800	217.03	3,673,939.61
1915	14,551	2,567		17,118	214.73	3,675,824.59
1916	13,633	3,406		17,039	223.66	3,809,277.01
1917	12,947	3,651		16,598	240.32	3,988,898.33
1918	11,919	3,707		15,626	287.17	4,487,345.85
1919	10,903	2,301		13,204	353.01	4,672,998.82
1920	9,845	2,524	253	12,622	393.25	4,963,843.23
1921	8,796	3,141	629	12,566	543.15	6,987,273.05
1922	8,058	4,014	1,775	13,847	525.41	7,277,540.41
1923	6,378	4,252	2,668	13,298	533.35	7,067,061.30
1924	5,510	4,821	3,444	13,775	542.45	7,470,342.77
1925	5,027	4,099	4,237	14,363	541.89	7,783,168.73
1926	3,871	5,252	4,099	13,222	542.32	7,495,954.67
1927	2,775	5,278	5,828	13,876	545.02	7,560,642.22
1928	1,823	5,409	7,962	15,194	534.08	8,114,856.87
1929	1,355	5,761	9,836	16,942	519.12	8,794,854.14
1930	1,280	5,979	13,269	19,518	553.94	10,611,796.69
1931	942	6,009	14,345	21,386	626.71	11,264,170.98

Admissions during July 1931 — 20,702

Readmissions during July 1931 — 15,625

(Copies from the Home Office) 35,327

TABLE NO. 59.—Statement showing, by branches, average number of members present, sick in hospital, and subsisted, together with expenditures and per diem cost for fiscal years 1930 and 1931

Home	Average present domiciliary members		Average present hospital patients		Average number subsisted		Expenditures (net operating cost)		Per diem cost	
	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930
	Central.....	2,484	2,527	857	813	3,564	3,634	\$1,540,006.25	\$1,822,199.64	\$1.36	$1.25
Northwestern.....	1,278	1,185	897	689	2,255	2,132	1,163,978.16	1,182,849.69	1.62	1.79
Eastern.....	798	667	241	190	1,135	949	524,225.49	671,841.00	1.54	1.70
Southern.....	1,112	1,207	755	648	2,051	2,069	924,961.16	911,586.36	1.85	1.85
Western.....	1,633	1,699	400	360	2,139	2,220	920,187.41	946,666.81	1.34	1.27
Pacific.....	3,251	2,829	806	794	4,416	3,753	1,782,736.56	1,566,690.66	2.70	2.42
Marion.....	1,306	1,115	1,306	1,115	1,726	1,482	1,267,644.40	1,376,261.46	1.68	1.66
Danville.....	1,717	1,790	506	241	2,370	2,164	879,964.46	783,767.14	1.41	1.63
Mountaine.....	1,327	1,101	603	575	1,930	1,676	1,035,666.17	996,467.68	2.36	2.33
Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	759	666	332	227	1,170	856	637,670.19	586,562.81	1.49	1.65
Beth.....	759	666	332	227	1,170	856	637,670.19	586,562.81	1.49	1.65
Total.....	14,354	13,351	7,032	6,167	23,336	21,439	11,264,170.98	10,811,766.69	1.45	1.52

NOTE.—Average present in hospitals includes patients admitted through field offices upon authority of the World War veterans' act, 1924, as amended.

TABLE NO. 60.—Members present in national homes, by sex and color, on June 30, fiscal years 1927 to 1931

Sex	Color	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927
		Male.....	White.....	17,062	18,682	14,807	13,635	12,398
Do.....	Colored.....	2,160	1,919	1,852	1,484	1,243
Female.....	White.....	42	34	26	23	16
Total.....		19,264	20,635	16,687	15,142	13,492

TABLE NO. 61.—Comparison of the principal causes of death of veterans admitted under laws governing national homes, fiscal years 1927-1931.

Cause of death	Fiscal year of death				
	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927
General diseases:					
Typhoid fever.....		32			1
Infuenza.....			15	2	
Dysentery.....	1	1	1	2	
Erysipelas.....	3	5	1	3	1
Purulent infection and septicemia.....	14	8	12	2	7
Tetanus.....				2	
Mycoses.....				1	
Pellagra.....	1				1
Tuberculosis of the lungs.....	321	291	342	344	348
Acute miliary tuberculosis.....	2				1
Tuberculous meningitis.....	2	4	2	4	2
Abdominal tuberculosis.....	3	5	2	2	
Pott's disease.....		2	1	1	1
White swellings.....	1				
Tuberculosis of other organs.....	2	3	2	1	1
Syphilis.....	15	26	30	21	25
Cancer and other malignant tumors of buccal cavity.....	7	8	8	6	10
Cancer and other malignant tumors of stomach and liver.....	40	88	24	26	33
Cancer and other malignant tumors of peritoneum, intestines, and rectum.....	8	12	24	11	11
Cancer and other malignant tumors of breast.....		2	3	1	
Cancer and other malignant tumors of skin.....	2	3	3	10	6
Cancer and other malignant tumors of other organ or organs.....	63	51	45	44	41
Other tumors (tumors of female genital organs excepted).....	2	2	2	1	
Acute articular rheumatism.....				1	
Chronic rheumatism and gout.....	1			1	
Diabetes.....	8	9	8	9	9
Erophthalmic goiter.....	2	1			

TABLE NO. 61.—Comparison of the principal causes of death of veterans admitted under laws governing national homes, fiscal years 1927-1931—Continued

Cause of death	Fiscal year of death				
	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927
General diseases—Continued.					
Addison's disease.....	1	7	1	1	4
Leukemia.....	9	7	2	4	7
Anemia.....	1	1	1	1	1
Other general diseases.....	13	9	13	10	7
Alcoholism (acute or chronic).....	3	2			
Other chronic poisonings.....					
Diseases of the nervous system and organs of special sense:					
Encephalitis.....	1	5	8	9	4
Simple meningitis.....	8	4	8	3	1
Locomotor ataxia.....	2	4	3	2	5
Other diseases of the spinal cord.....	8	2	7	6	3
Cerebral hemorrhage (apoplexy).....	77	82	80	97	97
Softening of the brain.....			1		
Paralysis without specified cause.....	8	4	4		2
General paralysis of the insane.....	83	80	50	49	45
Other forms of mental alienation.....	6	7	5	2	1
Epilepsy.....	9	3	5	3	4
Convulsions (nonpuerperal).....	1	1			
Neuralgia and neuritis.....		13		1	
Other diseases of the nervous system.....	7		7	5	3
Diseases of the ears.....	1				
Diseases of the circulatory system:					
Pericarditis.....	1		2		3
Acute endocarditis.....	36	35	28	14	4
Organic diseases of the heart.....	393	490	518	531	545
Angina pectoris.....	15	10	10	12	8
Diseases of the arteries, atheroma, aneurysm, etc.....	94	70	77	113	152
Embolism and thrombosis.....	27	12	15	8	28
Diseases of the veins (varices, hemorrhoids, phlebitis, etc.).....		1			
Diseases of the lymphatic system.....				1	
Hemorrhage (other diseases of circulatory system).....	29	30	24	5	3
Diseases of the respiratory system:					
Diseases of the larynx.....		1	2		
Diseases of the thyroid body.....	1	2	2		
Acute bronchitis.....	4	2		1	
Chronic bronchitis.....	1	3	9	1	2
Broncho-pneumonia.....	47	51	69	31	37
Pneumonia.....	89	86	78	55	46
Rabies.....					1
Flourish.....	5	6	5	4	7
Pulmonary congestion, pulmonary apoplexy.....	17	21	22	25	9
Gangrene of the lung.....	3	1		1	
Asthma.....	2	5	5	5	3
Pulmonary emphysema.....			2	1	
Other diseases of the respiratory system (tuberculosis excepted).....	7	9	6	6	7
Diseases of the digestive system:					
Diseases of the pharynx.....	1	1			
Diseases of the esophagus.....	1	1			1
Ulcer of the stomach.....	6	2	6	1	1
Other diseases of the stomach (cancer excepted).....	1	4	3	2	2
Diarrhea and enteritis.....	6	8	7	6	7
Appendicitis and typhlitis.....	4	3	5	5	3
Hernia, intestinal obstruction.....	8	11	7	5	2
Other diseases of the intestines.....	2		3	2	1
Cirrhosis of the liver.....	8	11	6	7	4
Biliary calculi.....	2			1	
Other diseases of the liver.....	7	10	11	3	5
Diseases of the spleen.....			1		
Simple peritonitis (nonpuerperal).....	12	10	4	6	
Other diseases of digestive system (cancer and tuberculosis excepted).....	1	1	1	3	
Nonvenereal diseases of the genito-urinary system and annexa:					
Acute nephritis.....	2	3	3	6	3
Bright's disease.....	49	44	68	60	53
Other diseases of kidneys and annexa.....	10	2	8	8	19
Calculi of the urinary passages.....	5	1			1
Diseases of the bladder.....	3	4	7	6	11
Diseases of the urethra, urinary abscess, etc.....	2		1		
Diseases of the prostate.....	14	20	12	1	
Diseases of the skin and of cellular tissue:					
Gangrene.....	10	9	12	17	16
Furunculæ.....	1				
Acute abscess.....	1	2	3	2	1
Other diseases of the skin and annexa.....			1	1	
Diseases of the bones and organs of locomotion:					
Diseases of the bones (tuberculosis excepted).....	3	2	1		
Diseases of the joints (tuberculosis and rheumatism excepted).....	1		1		
Old age: Senility.....	9	9	16	17	5

TABLE NO. 61.—Comparison of the principal causes of death of veterans admitted under laws governing national homes, fiscal years 1927—1931—Continued

Cause of death	Fiscal year of death				
	1931	1930	1929	1928	1927
External causes:					
Suicide by hanging or strangulation.....	2	1	1	3	1
Suicide by drowning.....			1		
Suicide by firearms.....			2	1	
Suicide by cutting or piercing instruments.....	3		2		1
Suicide by jumping from high places.....			1		1
Other suicides.....	1	6	4	4	3
Other acute poisonings.....	1	3	2	2	2
Burns (conflagration excepted).....		1		1	1
Absorption of deleterious gases (conflagration excepted).....	2	4		2	
Accidental drowning.....	1	4		1	
Traumatism by firearms.....	2		3		1
Traumatism by fall.....	1	2		1	
Traumatism by crushing (vehicles, railways, landslides, etc.).....	1	4	1	5	7
Starvation.....	1	1		1	
Effects of heat.....	1				1
Homicide by firearms.....				1	
Homicide by cutting or piercing instruments.....	1			1	1
Homicide by other means.....				1	12
Fractures (cause not specified).....	21	10	10	12	2
Other external violence.....	5	3		1	
Ill-defined diseases:					
Ill-defined organic diseases.....	1				9
Cause of death not specified or ill-defined.....	3	16	19	23	
Died away from the home, cause unknown.....	151	168	180	188	201
Total.....	1,876	1,936	2,008	1,907	1,916

TABLE NO. 62.—Statement showing, by States, the average members present and the per capita cost of operation of State soldiers' homes, together with the amount of Federal aid paid to States, fiscal year, 1931

States	Average number present	Cost per capita	Federal aid paid	States	Average number present	Cost per capita	Federal aid paid
California.....	951	\$442.67	\$109,801.86	New Jersey (Vineland).....	112	\$588.55	\$12,840.60
Colorado.....	96	646.22	9,877.60	New York (Oxford).....	7	660.89	835.10
Connecticut.....	318	378.04	36,750.20	North Dakota.....	20	829.14	2,330.60
Idaho.....	68	543.08	7,880.30	Ohio.....	601	329.48	69,498.60
Illinois.....	373	372.58	42,800.33	Oklahoma.....	45	368.50	5,212.20
Indiana.....	73	831.11	8,495.40	Oregon.....	80	551.84	9,213.16
Iowa.....	215	355.40	24,800.86	Pennsylvania.....	237	563.93	26,949.70
Kansas.....	93	383.87	8,742.50	Rhode Island.....	46	1,186.53	5,289.90
Massachusetts.....	385	662.95	44,526.80	South Dakota.....	82	613.73	9,541.00
Michigan.....	281	618.36	30,792.53	Vermont.....	34	807.44	3,916.50
Minnesota.....	261	650.35	29,886.76	Washington (Ortig).....	160	502.39	17,964.86
Missouri.....	46	495.28	5,309.26	Washington (Retsil).....	229	334.59	26,488.70
Montana.....	40	498.58	3,634.76	Wisconsin.....	109	371.06	12,587.20
Nebraska (Burkett).....	59	345.87	6,802.83	Wyoming.....	13	937.13	1,508.00
Nebraska (Milford).....	42	429.35	4,933.03				
New Hampshire.....	41	672.23	4,710.06	Total.....	5,109	611.95	589,999.80
New Jersey (Kearney).....	52	1,599.03	6,058.60				

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TABLE NO. 63.—Number of pensioners on the roll, by wars, at the end of each fiscal year, from 1866 to 1931

Year	Revo- lution- ary War	War of 1812	War with Mexico	Civil War	Indian wars	War with Spain	Regu- lar es- tablish- ment	World War	Unclassi- fied	Total
1866	932	1, 227								126, 722
1867	997	1, 310							153, 563	155, 474
1868	889	1, 803							167, 451	169, 643
1869	887	1, 298							185, 778	187, 963
1870	727	1, 286							196, 673	198, 686
1871	634	727							206, 134	207, 495
1872	471	20, 127							211, 631	232, 229
1873	445	23, 319							214, 647	238, 411
1874	410	22, 932							212, 899	236, 241
1875	379	21, 038							213, 404	234, 821
1876	320	19, 193							212, 624	232, 137
1877	262	17, 411							214, 431	232, 104
1878	237	14, 132							209, 629	223, 998
1879	213	32, 815							209, 727	242, 755
1880	189	34, 888							215, 725	250, 802
1881	166	34, 927							233, 737	265, 830
1882	144	31, 795							253, 758	285, 697
1883	123	26, 267							277, 268	303, 658
1884	104	23, 410							299, 242	322, 756
1885	86	20, 157							324, 882	345, 125
1886	69	14, 936							350, 778	365, 783
1887	54	12, 900	8, 398						384, 655	406, 007
1888	37	11, 593	21, 164	2, 419, 763						452, 557
1889	29	10, 567	23, 271	455, 858						489, 725
1890	25	9, 023	23, 922	504, 974						537, 944
1891	23	7, 874	23, 355	644, 908						676, 160
1892	22	6, 816	22, 497	846, 733						876, 068
1893	17	5, 511	21, 518	935, 084	3, 882					966, 012
1894	12	4, 492	21, 147	937, 505	6, 388					969, 544
1895	12	3, 847	20, 464	939, 288	6, 923					970, 524
1896	14	3, 301	19, 817	940, 591	6, 955					970, 678
1897	16	2, 817	18, 994	947, 526	6, 661					976, 014
1898	12	2, 410	18, 155	967, 051	6, 086					993, 714
1899	11	1, 999	17, 379	966, 276	5, 555	299				991, 519
1900	11	1, 743	16, 503	968, 408	5, 109	1, 755				993, 529
1901	9	1, 528	15, 677	970, 352	4, 565	5, 604				997, 735
1902	8	1, 318	14, 845	969, 587	4, 223	9, 465				999, 446
1903	5	1, 116	13, 874	963, 954	4, 734	12, 862				996, 545
1904	3	919	13, 035	945, 358	5, 886	16, 829	12, 732			994, 762
1905	5	776	12, 193	945, 813	5, 730	20, 491	13, 433			998, 441
1906	4	660	11, 472	931, 482	5, 540	22, 621	14, 192			985, 971
1907	3	558	10, 699	912, 135	5, 208	24, 077	14, 691			967, 371
1908	2	471	9, 846	895, 357	4, 838	25, 665	15, 508			951, 687
1909	1	395	9, 092	888, 690	4, 625	27, 095	16, 296			946, 194
1910	1	338	8, 401	862, 851	4, 382	27, 889	17, 221			921, 083
1911		279	7, 621	833, 756	4, 016	28, 490	17, 936			892, 098
1912		238	6, 846	801, 998	3, 649	28, 550	18, 713			860, 294
1913		199	6, 265	762, 367	3, 396	29, 015	18, 958			820, 200
1914		170	5, 592	728, 129	3, 097	28, 910	19, 341			785, 239
1915		134	4, 933	691, 606	2, 832	28, 912	19, 730			748, 147
1916		115	4, 298	654, 007	2, 578	28, 472	20, 102			709, 572
1917		109	3, 806	618, 326	2, 307	28, 275	20, 288			673, 111
1918		99	3, 353	591, 793	4, 238	27, 513	19, 843			646, 895
1919		81	2, 956	568, 343	5, 463	28, 251	19, 218	56		624, 427
1920		71	2, 571	533, 729	6, 228	30, 432	19, 031	128		592, 190
1921		64	2, 244	500, 102	6, 353	39, 282	17, 913	95		566, 053
1922		49	1, 951	466, 075	6, 615	55, 153	17, 083	90		547, 016
1923		40	1, 685	433, 203	6, 751	81, 560	16, 431	86		539, 756
1924		33	1, 468	399, 951	6, 830	101, 142	16, 037	78		525, 539
1925		21	1, 274	367, 819	6, 958	120, 234	16, 161	70		512, 537
1926		20	1, 089	333, 494	6, 902	143, 199	16, 951	68		501, 723
1927		17	976	302, 691	7, 015	162, 638	16, 540	65		489, 942
1928		14	849	272, 906	8, 871	191, 270	17, 220	64		491, 194
1929		11	731	241, 219	9, 574	207, 861	18, 457	62		477, 915
1930		10	630	216, 692	9, 645	217, 730	19, 491	59		464, 257
1931		8	547	192, 886	9, 662	227, 229	21, 048	53		451, 433

¹ Increase due to act of Feb. 14, 1871.

² Included in unclassified group prior to this date.

TABLE No. 64.—Statement showing the annual value of an average pension of the different wars and the average for all wars, 1910 to 1931

Year	Civil War	War with Spain	War of 1812	War with Mexico	Indian wars	Regular Establishment	World War	Average for all wars
1910.....	\$175.03	\$136.54	\$151.71	\$174.26	\$141.83	\$174.26		\$158.94
1911.....	177.78	138.68	158.94	173.58	143.19	173.29		161.75
1912.....	179.52	137.64	158.90	170.63	142.88	176.79		161.06
1913.....	216.29	140.31	181.66	189.09	155.37	181.83		174.09
1914.....	224.38	135.16	161.95	189.65	180.89	179.67		178.62
1915.....	226.53	133.22	166.71	187.68	181.39	179.21		179.12
1916.....	230.01	133.47	163.89	186.89	184.27	180.37		224.28
1917.....	247.71	133.81	171.58	221.24	179.44	180.69		242.00
1918.....	287.95	138.30	213.31	263.60	221.76	190.30		278.00
1919.....	373.39	137.28	218.57	256.48	235.84	192.62		355.78
1920.....	379.57	151.70	297.87	263.19	260.40	189.38	\$287.00	360.18
1921.....	477.74	164.34	356.63	373.87	292.71	183.49	238.62	443.13
1922.....	480.06	178.92	355.59	370.59	292.72	180.23	238.81	436.82
1923.....	476.78	191.38	354.60	368.37	293.36	216.46	240.56	421.92
1924.....	476.34	202.12	353.45	365.25	291.78	193.69	243.69	411.02
1925.....	506.25	206.74	447.23	397.87	281.56	207.30	257.60	423.67
1926.....	514.56	211.05	370.00	399.25	275.80	215.66	247.82	414.26
1927.....	550.04	351.90	576.80	532.95	287.06	230.83	247.18	469.75
1928.....	548.42	369.50	635.92	641.22	444.05	237.84	254.06	466.14
1929.....	595.28	369.70	654.70	646.64	464.95	243.95	259.45	481.02
1930.....	580.47	384.65	570.33	638.82	472.27	240.97	259.96	472.15
1931.....	632.46	460.02	673.87	630.68	469.35	250.36	276.18	519.28

TABLE No. 65.—Pensioners on the roll June 30, 1931, and the aggregate annual value of said roll, by States, Territories, and possessions, and by foreign countries

States, Territories, and District of Columbia	Number	Amount	States, Territories, and District of Columbia	Number	Amount
Alabama.....	2,117	\$952,397.00	New York.....	35,296	\$18,287,748.00
Alaska.....	155	53,154.00	North Carolina.....	2,638	1,090,810.00
Arizona.....	867	372,190.00	North Dakota.....	979	476,580.00
Arkansas.....	4,779	2,487,972.00	Ohio.....	39,834	21,228,750.00
California.....	30,270	13,861,920.00	Oklahoma.....	6,589	3,465,556.00
Colorado.....	4,967	2,429,138.00	Oregon.....	5,181	2,509,890.00
Connecticut.....	4,711	2,403,660.00	Pennsylvania.....	36,827	18,468,075.00
Delaware.....	971	629,630.00	Rhode Island.....	2,321	1,155,545.00
District of Columbia.....	5,687	2,205,735.00	South Carolina.....	1,314	514,930.00
Florida.....	3,963	2,124,914.78	South Dakota.....	2,274	1,175,975.00
Georgia.....	2,991	940,150.00	Tennessee.....	8,341	4,140,100.00
Hawaii.....	204	60,645.00	Texas.....	6,217	2,721,810.00
Idaho.....	1,507	735,270.00	Utah.....	1,375	466,212.00
Illinois.....	30,262	16,020,885.00	Vermont.....	2,845	1,544,617.00
Indiana.....	25,598	13,899,080.00	Virginia.....	5,111	2,150,300.00
Iowa.....	14,286	7,977,000.00	Washington.....	6,993	3,444,157.00
Kansas.....	16,227	9,204,290.00	West Virginia.....	5,133	2,645,500.00
Kentucky.....	11,851	6,890,560.00	Wisconsin.....	11,277	6,077,937.00
Louisiana.....	2,941	1,393,710.00	Wyoming.....	726	306,086.00
Maine.....	6,073	3,283,330.00	Total.....	443,076	226,165,253.78
Maryland.....	5,120	2,641,840.00	POSSESSIONS		
Massachusetts.....	16,349	8,177,737.99	Canal Zone.....	147	38,380.00
Michigan.....	17,584	9,250,799.00	Guam.....	10	3,240.00
Minnesota.....	7,272	3,747,600.00	Philippine Islands.....	4,300	963,825.00
Mississippi.....	1,976	1,106,900.00	Porto Rico.....	673	181,400.00
Missouri.....	20,939	11,315,230.00	Samoa.....	4	2,100.00
Montana.....	1,817	815,736.00	Virgin Islands.....	1	360.00
Nebraska.....	6,598	3,563,230.00	Total.....	5,135	1,209,305.00
Nevada.....	250	103,050.00			
New Hampshire.....	2,862	1,514,425.00			
New Jersey.....	9,832	4,870,000.00			
New Mexico.....	960	436,490.00			

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TABLE No. 65.—*Pensioners on the roll June 30, 1931, and the aggregate annual value of said roll, by States, Territories, and possessions, and by foreign countries—Continued*

Foreign countries	Number	Amount	Foreign countries	Number	Amount
Algeria.....	1	\$360.00	Japan.....	39	\$14,350.00
Argentina.....	10	3,200.00	Java.....	1	480.00
Australia.....	39	18,545.00	Liberia.....	5	1,560.00
Austria.....	7	2,880.00	Lithuania.....	3	1,080.00
Azores.....	1	300.00	Luxembourg.....	5	1,680.00
Bahama Islands.....	4	1,440.00	Malta.....	13	4,320.00
Barbados.....	1	300.00	Mauritius.....	1	600.00
Belgium.....	17	6,700.00	Mexico.....	80	25,900.00
Bermuda.....	2	720.00	New Zealand.....	10	3,300.00
Brazil.....	1	1,140.00	Nicaragua.....	2	720.00
British East Africa.....	11	3,600.00	Norway.....	72	22,940.00
British Guiana.....	1	360.00	Palestine.....	3	1,080.00
Canada.....	1,560	759,537.00	Panama.....	14	4,680.00
Bulgaria.....	1	300.00	Persia.....	1	600.00
Ceylon.....	1	360.00	Peru.....	10	3,780.00
Chile.....	11	3,660.00	Pitcairn Island.....	1	600.00
China.....	64	23,650.00	Poland.....	9	3,000.00
Colombia.....	4	1,200.00	Portugal.....	2	660.00
Costa Rica.....	5	1,560.00	Rumania.....	2	600.00
Cuba.....	127	32,092.00	Saint Lucia.....	1	360.00
Cyprus.....	2	660.00	Scotland.....	29	16,080.00
Czechoslovakia.....	10	3,000.00	Serbs, Croats, and Slo- venes, Kingdom of.....	5	1,800.00
Danzig.....	1	480.00	St. Helena.....	1	360.00
Denmark.....	37	14,000.00	Spain.....	9	3,280.00
Dominica.....	5	1,560.00	Straits Settlements.....	4	1,440.00
Dutch West Indies.....	2	600.00	Sweden.....	74	24,680.00
Estonia.....	2	720.00	Switzerland.....	30	16,420.00
Ecuador.....	2	660.00	Syria.....	1	480.00
England.....	205	86,190.00	Tahiti.....	6	2,340.00
Finland.....	16	6,400.00	The Netherlands.....	7	3,300.00
France.....	80	29,080.00	Trinidad.....	4	1,440.00
Germany.....	171	60,005.00	Turkey.....	2	720.00
Greece.....	13	5,320.00	Uruguay.....	3	660.00
Guatemala.....	3	1,080.00	Venezuela.....	2	720.00
Haiti.....	2	660.00	Wales.....	9	3,260.00
Honduras.....	4	1,200.00			
Hungary.....	2	720.00			
India.....	6	1,800.00			
Ireland.....	261	90,325.00	Total.....	3,222	1,353,734.00
Italy.....	57	15,000.00	Grand Total.....	451,433	228,728,392.78
Jamaica.....	9	2,800.00			

TABLE No. 66.—*Pensioners on the roll June 30, 1931, and the aggregate annual value of the roll, by wars, class of beneficiary, and general and special laws*

	General legislation		Special acts	
	Number	Annual value	Number	Annual value
Regular establishment:				
Soldiers.....	15,889	\$3,787,844.52	1,031	\$219,192.00
Widows, etc.....	3,540	714,324.00	588	196,388.00
Civil War:				
General Laws—				
Soldiers.....	81	91,608.00	331	192,204.00
Nurses.....	23	13,800.00		
Widows, etc.....	645	196,452.00	13,095	6,171,660.00
Act May 1, 1920—				
Widows, etc.....	21,442	7,872,336.00		
Act July 3, 1926—				
Widows.....	8,796	5,277,600.00		
Act June 9, 1930—				
Soldiers.....	39,014	42,158,790.00		
Widows.....	109,459	52,540,320.00		
War with Spain:				
General Laws—				
Soldiers.....	628	279,924.00	241	68,388.00
Nurses.....			9	1,776.00
Widows, etc.....	1,058	253,632.00	351	109,340.00

TABLE No. 66.—*Pensioners on the roll June 30, 1931, and the aggregate annual value of the roll, by wars, class of beneficiary, and general and special laws—Con.*

	General legislation		Special acts	
	Number	Annual value	Number	Annual value
War with Spain—Continued.				
Act May 1, 1926—				
Soldiers.....	54,806	\$17,434,016.88	-----	-----
Nurses.....	324	141,768.00	-----	-----
Widows, etc.....	32,028	12,542,976.00	-----	-----
Act June 2, 1930—				
Soldiers.....	137,611	73,707,313.38	-----	-----
Nurses.....	173	94,728.00	-----	-----
War of 1812: Widows.....	6	3,600.00	2	\$600.00
War with Mexico: Widows.....	510	304,560.00	37	13,080.00
Indian Wars:				
Soldiers.....	5,129	2,714,760.00	231	68,976.00
Widows, etc.....	4,200	1,519,944.00	102	22,836.00
World War:				
Soldiers.....	39	9,528.00	2	720.00
Widows, etc.....	12	3,408.00	-----	-----
Total.....	435,413	221,663,232.78	16,020	7,065,160.00

Annual value of the pension roll, \$228,728,392.78.

TABLE No. 67.—*Pensioners on the roll June 30, 1931, and June 30, 1930, by wars, general and special laws, and class of beneficiary*

	1931	1930		1931	1930
Regular establishment:			War with Spain:		
Invalids.....	16,920	15,661	General laws—		
Widows.....	2,274	2,092	Invalids.....	869	1,155
Minor children.....	182	177	Nurses.....	9	8
Mothers.....	1,426	1,334	Widows.....	246	188
Fathers.....	228	210	Minor children.....	3	3
Brothers, sisters, sons, and daughters.....	11	10	Mothers.....	975	1,035
Helpless children.....	7	7	Fathers.....	162	170
Civil War:			Brothers, sisters, sons, and daughters.....	23	14
General laws—			Act May 1, 1926—		
Invalids.....	412	712	Invalids.....	54,806	185,207
Widows.....	11,976	11,701	Nurses.....	324	438
Minor children.....	1	16	Widows.....	30,650	27,968
Mothers.....	1	1	Minor children.....	1,430	1,602
Brothers, sisters, sons, and daughters.....	1,757	1,649	Helpless children.....	46	39
Helpless children.....	5	7	Act June 2, 1930—		
Act May 1, 1920—			Invalids.....	137,611	3
Survivors.....	-----	23,185	Nurses.....	173	-----
Widows.....	20,146	48,284	War of 1812: Widows.....	8	10
Minor children.....	476	547	War with Mexico: Widows.....	547	630
Helpless children.....	820	822	Indian Wars:		
Act July 3, 1926—			Survivors.....	5,360	5,454
Invalids.....	-----	25,094	Widows.....	4,280	4,176
Widows.....	8,796	10,913	Minor children.....	17	13
Act May 23, 1928—			Helpless children.....	5	2
Widows.....	-----	93,734	World War:		
Act June 9, 1930—			Invalids.....	41	44
Invalids.....	39,014	-----	Widows.....	6	8
Widows.....	109,459	-----	Minor children.....	3	4
Act August 5, 1892—			Mothers.....	3	3
Nurses.....	23	27	Total.....	451,433	464,257

Net loss to roll, 12,824.

TABLE NO. 68.—Statement showing, by wars and classes, the different monthly rates paid to pensioners under general pension laws and the number at each rate on the roll June 30, 1931

Rate	Regular establishment		Civil War					War with Spain					War of 1812, widows	Mexican war widows, etc.	Indian War					
	Soldiers	Widows, etc.	General laws			Act May 1, 1920, widows, etc.	Act July 3, 1924, widows	Act June 9, 1930		General laws		Act May 1, 1926			Act June 2, 1930		Soldiers	Widows, etc.		
			Soldiers	Widows, etc.	Nurses			Soldiers	Widows	Soldiers	Widows, etc.	Soldiers			Widows, etc.	Nurses			Soldiers	Nurses
\$6	2,157																			
\$8	1,390									168										
\$10	1,161									52										
\$12	2,221	2,600	2							9										
\$14	498			11						47	41			162	2					
\$15	181									11										
\$17	3,010		32							4				240	4					
\$18	7		48							38	6									
\$20	48									1				308	3					
\$24	1,800		253		74					16	970	21,896		39	1,660	2				
\$25	37		91							16					186		4			
\$30	2,408		131							3	22	26,822		48	6,822	6				
\$35			208	6		21,442				39	18	3,078	32,028	78	1,694	11	130			
\$40			2												60,810	31	630			
\$40	40		30							4		1,390		72	711	5	757			
\$50	436		25			8,796		100,459		13		2,777		18	45,109	15	3,382			
\$80	7		20							4					29,470	57				
\$72	263			4						33		1,824		12	660	3				
\$75																				
\$80	205			0				15,554												
\$90	159			8						72										
\$100	11			1						68										
\$125	57			40						22										
Total	15,664	3,506	79	645	23	21,442	8,796	39,014	100,459	610	1,057	54,803	32,028	324	137,611	173	6	510	5,129	4,200

In addition to the above, there were on the roll 280 pensioners at miscellaneous rates ranging from \$2 to \$200 per month and 51 pensioners of the World War receiving from \$6 to \$100 per month.

TABLE NO. 69.—Statement showing by wars, general and special laws, and class of beneficiary the gains and losses to the pension roll during the fiscal year 1931, together with the disbursements for each class under the various laws during that period

SALARIES 31 10		Number of pensioners at beginning of year	Gains to roll			Losses to roll					Number of pensioners at end of year	Disbursements	
			Original	Restoration	Renewal	By death	By remarriage	By limitation	Failure to claim	Other causes			
	Regular establishment	{ Soldiers..... 15,661	1,991	3	28	420				1	237	16,920	\$4,279,663.04
	Civil War:	{ Widows, etc. 3,830	557	1	7	145	40	39			19	4,128	989,895.37
	General laws	{ Soldiers..... 712	54			107						412	450,274.51
		{ Nurses..... 27				4						23	14,260.00
	Act May 1, 1920	{ Widows, etc. 13,374	645		5	1,460	19	26				13,740	5,938,133.49
		{ Soldiers..... 23,185				397							1,729,909.74
		{ Widows, etc. 49,653	678	1	113	935	73	131		7		21,442	9,760,864.36
	Act July 3, 1926	{ Soldiers..... 25,094	1			381							1,653,107.12
		{ Widows, etc. 10,913	80		20	2,219				1		8,796	5,805,669.57
	Act May 23, 1928	{ Widows..... 93,734	79		5	881	1			1			3,797,807.01
	Act June 9, 1930	{ Soldiers..... 46		2		8,782				1		39,014	42,104,578.79
	War with Spain:	{ Widows..... 2,078		2	230	12,397	29			3		109,459	50,739,145.87
	General laws	{ Soldiers..... 1,155	73	1	1	34				2		869	392,896.32
		{ Nurses..... 8	1									9	2,225.33
		{ Widows, etc. 1,410	157		2	155	3	3				1,409	385,669.57
	Act May 1, 1926	{ Soldiers..... 185,207	2,963	6	28	2,198			1	35		54,806	35,815,838.95
		{ Nurses..... 438	10			4						324	106,106.79
		{ Widows, etc. 29,509	3,461	7	80	458	213	318		40		32,028	12,873,008.63
	Act June 2, 1930	{ Soldiers..... 3	8,732	2	80	2,760				24		137,611	52,543,950.12
		{ Nurses..... 56				4						173	136,784.25
	War of 1812	{ Widows..... 10				2						8	5,391.00
	War with Mexico	{ Soldiers..... 110											110.00
		{ Widows..... 630	6	1	2	92						547	344,975.00
		{ Soldiers..... 5,454	356		4	465				4		5,360	2,884,716.78
	Indian Wars	{ Widows, etc. 4,191	397		9	302	5	1		2		4,302	1,650,201.69
		{ Soldiers..... 44				1				2		41	10,582.53
	World War	{ Widows, etc. 15						1				12	4,055.60
	Total	464,257	22,421	26	614	34,603	383	519	2	378	451,433	234,419,721.43	

¹ Accrued pension.

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TABLE NO. 70.—Annuitants on roll by cause for which retired and by fiscal years

Year ending June 30	Age	Disability	Involuntary separation ¹	30 years service ¹	Total
1921.....					6,471
1922.....	6,667	909			7,576
1923.....	7,994	1,340			9,334
1924.....	8,895	1,653			10,548
1925.....	9,741	1,948			11,689
1926.....	10,277	2,247			12,524
1927.....	11,353	2,766			14,119
1928.....	12,173	3,210			15,383
1929.....	12,924	3,577			16,501
1930.....	12,504	3,994	1,270		17,768
1931.....	15,357	4,947	1,374	972	22,650

¹ Included with retirement for age prior to 1930.

² Act of May 29, 1930.

³ Distribution by cause not available.

TABLE NO. 71.—Statement showing the number of annuitants by rates, the average annuity, and the annual value of the retirement roll, June 30, 1931

	Number
Less than \$100 per annum.....	2
\$100-\$199 per annum.....	19
\$200-\$299 per annum.....	149
\$300-\$399 per annum.....	428
\$400-\$499 per annum.....	849
\$500-\$599 per annum.....	1,487
\$600-\$699 per annum.....	1,782
\$700-\$799 per annum.....	1,592
\$800-\$899 per annum.....	2,000
\$900-\$999 per annum.....	2,648
\$1,000-\$1,099 per annum.....	2,248
\$1,100-\$1,199 per annum.....	1,819
\$1,200 per annum.....	7,441
\$1,201-\$1,299 per annum.....	185
Total.....	22,650
Average annual rate.....	\$952.01
Annual value of retirement roll.....	\$21,563,028.50

TABLE NO. 72.—Statement showing, by age periods, the number, sex, and cause for which retired, of the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931

Attained age	Total	Cause of retirement							
		Male				Female			
		Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service	Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service
26.....	3		3						
27.....	1		1						
28.....	1		1						
29.....	3		3						
30.....	4		3						
31.....	5		3			1			
32.....	10		9			1			
33.....	8		6			2			
34.....	4		2			2			
35.....	10		8			2			
36.....	12		11			1			
37.....	10		9			1			
38.....	12		11			1			
39.....	25		23			2			
40.....	15		15						
41.....	16		12			4			
42.....	28		27			1			

TABLE No. 72.—Statement showing, by age periods, the number, sex, and cause for which retired, of the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931—Continued

Attained age	Total	Cause of retirement							
		Male				Female			
		Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service	Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service
43	27			23				4	
44	29			26				3	
45	51			44				7	
46	37			31				6	
47	54			48				6	
48	46			37				9	
49	61			55				6	
50	63			49				14	
51	79			66				13	
52	111			94				17	
53	114			101				13	
54	140			121				19	
55	167			139	9			19	
56	164			115	30			18	1
57	256			172	49			32	3
58	288			195	61			29	3
59	325	1		222	72			29	1
60	274			180	50	17		23	4
61	374			219	57	62		34	2
62	448	44		225	74	62	1	36	5
63	623	190		217	81	93	2	35	4
64	851	210		244	89	257		33	7
65	1,081	400		262	96	269	11	31	6
66	1,299	823		225	102	53	45	36	9
67	1,329	984		188	80		43	30	4
68	1,357	1,028	148	84	18	40	40	32	4
69	1,488	1,121	152	87	27	51	25	7	18
70	1,576	1,238	99	82	37	64	33	6	17
71	1,539	1,243	108	59	10	82	29	4	4
72	1,318	1,101	80	40		73	21	3	
73	1,168	949	70	44		80	20	5	
74	1,076	935	38	14		68	16	5	
75	934	803	38	8		73	10	2	
76	701	627	11	6		45	9	3	
77	562	484	7	8		54	8	1	
78	494	440	10	3		36	5		
79	423	368	3			48	4		
80	292	258	3			30	1		
81	292	266				26			
82	222	193				29			
83	150	132				18			
84	140	124				16			
85	125	115				10			
86	84	75				9			
87	83	72				11			
88	51	45				3			
89	41	38				3			
90	26	24				2			
91	21	20				1			
92	6	6							
93	8	7				1			
94	6	6							
95	3	3							
96	1	1							
97									
98	1					1			
99	1	1							
100									
101									
102	2	2							
110									
111	1	1							
Total	22,650	14,381	4,212	1,285	905	976	735	89	67

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TABLE NO. 73.—Statement showing, by vocations and cause for which retired, the number and sex of annuitants dropped from the roll during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1931, together with the aggregate annuities paid to, and the aggregate contributions received from such annuitants

Vocation	Total	Sex		Aggregate annuities	Aggregate contributions
		Male	Female		
Retired on account of age:					
Mechanics.....	194	184	10	\$167,618	\$34,268
City letter carriers.....	151	151		162,064	28,898
Rural letter carriers.....	162	162		118,534	33,311
Post-office clerks.....	166	99	7	109,973	20,651
Railway postal clerks.....	72	72		90,998	20,778
Departmental clerks.....	256	210	46	225,145	61,627
Laborers.....	67	59	8	43,816	12,389
Tropical service and hasardous occupations.....	17	17		15,069	9,117
Mechanics, navy yard.....	12	12		11,149	6,917
Laborers, navy yard.....	4	4		2,976	1,249
Indian field service.....					
Total 1.....	1,085	976	65	948,382	228,458
Retired on account of disability:					
Mechanics.....	74	66	6	65,547	27,672
City letter carriers.....	89	89		86,808	26,327
Rural letter carriers.....	57	57		47,997	24,277
Post-office clerks.....	50	45	2	44,944	24,136
Railway postal clerks.....	19	19		18,711	11,081
Departmental clerks.....	163	129	34	145,451	62,929
Laborers.....	49	39	10	29,733	11,556
Tropical service and hasardous occupations.....	4	4		3,890	2,583
Mechanics, navy yard.....	14	14		9,220	7,199
Laborers, navy yard.....	4	4		1,668	1,448
Indian field service.....					
Total 2.....	828	471	52	455,244	206,268
Retired on account of involuntary separation:					
Mechanics.....	64	64		35,495	14,319
City letter carriers.....					
Rural letter carriers.....					
Post-office clerks.....					
Railway postal clerks.....					
Departmental clerks.....	17	13	4	11,040	3,271
Laborers.....	7	6	1	3,298	786
Tropical service and hasardous occupations.....					
Mechanics, navy yard.....	17	17		9,681	7,666
Laborers, navy yard.....					
Indian field service.....					
Total 3.....	105	100	5	59,559	26,942
Retired on account of 30 years' service:					
Mechanics.....	4	2	2	4,727	2,267
City letter carriers.....	10	10		12,000	6,135
Rural letter carriers.....	1	1		1,200	646
Post-office clerks.....	7	6	1	8,400	4,675
Railway postal clerks.....	1	1		1,200	622
Departmental clerks.....	1	1		1,200	644
Laborers.....					
Tropical service and hasardous occupations.....					
Mechanics, navy yard.....	1	1		1,200	271
Laborers, navy yard.....					
Indian field service.....					
Total.....	25	22	3	26,927	15,679
Grand total.....	1,688	1,468	125	1,488,112	489,647

1 Includes 1 dropped for causes other than death.
 2 Includes 18 dropped for causes other than death.
 3 Includes 52 dropped for causes other than death.

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TABLE NO. 74.—Statement showing, by years of service, the vocation, sex, and cause for which retired, of the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931

Years of service	Total	Cause of retirement							
		Male				Female			
		Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service	Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service
5	1		1						
6	16		15				1		
7	18		18						
8	19		18				1		
9	17		14				3		
10	41		33				8		
11	68		50				18		
12	79		44				35		
13	76		55				21		
14	47		40				7		
15	531	314	101	59		21	29	7	
16	688	393	158	87		14	34	2	
17	721	443	148	87		18	26	4	
18	697	403	147	103		13	30	2	
19	709	432	153	84		19	19	2	
20	763	454	167	84		26	28	4	
21	858	508	207	89		19	30	5	
22	843	502	199	74		29	37	2	
23	845	543	179	70		25	25	3	
24	890	560	202	62		31	28	7	
25	889	559	214	55		32	23	6	
26	888	534	234	51		40	27	2	
27	855	540	197	40		39	34	5	
28	798	515	167	42		34	37	3	
29	667	426	145	39		36	20	1	
30	1,569	998	265	66	97	86	44	7	6
31	1,039	651	161	69	85	39	32	5	5
32	847	529	148	29	77	38	18	3	7
33	717	471	112	22	53	36	15	1	2
34	646	443	112	15	39	17	17	1	2
35	694	471	94	17	50	39	15	6	1
36	702	478	92	10	74	33	9	3	13
37	690	474	88	7	69	24	6	3	4
38	596	407	60	11	8	29	6		1
39	612	436	51	8	70	29	14		4
40	531	375	44	4	71	25	11		1
41	454	346	31	5	39	20	6	3	4
42	377	270	20		49	24	8	1	5
43	253	192	9	2	26	19	1		4
44	184	148	7	1	13	10	3		2
45	157	122	6	1	7	16	5		
46	117	100	1	1	1	12	2		
47	107	81	4		6	13	1		
48	91	74	1		1	13		1	1
49	71	47	1	1	2	20			
50	46	38				8			
51	27	18	1		1	6	1		
52	23	17	1		1	4			
53	21	15				6			
54	15	10				4			
55	12	8	1			3			
56	13	10				3			
57	14	12				2			
58	4	3				1			
59	2	1				1			
60	2	2							
61	1	1							
62	4	4							
63	1	1							
65	1	1							
67	1	1							
Total	22,650	14,381	4,212	1,285	905	976	785	89	67

TABLE NO. 74.—Statement showing, by years of service, the vocation, sex, and cause for which retired, of the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931—Continued

Years of service	Vocation										
	Mechanics	City letter carriers	Rural letter carriers	Post-office clerks	Railway postal clerks	Departmental and other clerks	Laborers, classified and unclassified	Hazardous occupations and tropical service	Mechanics, navy yard	Laborers, navy yard	Indian field service
5	1										
6	2	4		5		2	2	1			
7	2	5		3		3	5	2	1		
8	2	6		3		5	3	1	1	1	
9	2	3		1		4	4	1			
10	6	6		9	1	6	6	1			
11	16	7	1	6	3	18	8		3		
12	6	6	4	2	1	38	12	5	5		1
13	7	6	4	6	6	32	6	5	1		
14	6	3	3	2	1	16	5	1	8		1
15	157	8	100	25	3	97	76	2	9		
16	192	20	218	26	14	112	81	8	17		4
17	209	24	257	29	11	85	72	14	19		4
18	191	20	236	26	11	97	77	14	16		4
19	178	25	241	40	3	110	60	11	24		5
20	190	48	233	37	8	120	73	17	28		6
21	220	58	243	54	10	132	67	45	37		6
22	189	63	255	56	5	128	81	31	26		3
23	181	69	279	57	8	113	67	32	33		1
24	186	69	296	52	11	125	58	30	4		4
25	163	92	293	75	11	150	64	10	22		5
26	148	112	273	83	26	126	68	14	26		2
27	154	124	199	88	31	153	57	9	35		2
28	158	121	155	68	50	161	42	10	28		4
29	128	118	69	78	51	137	55	12	22		1
30	279	459	68	164	147	276	88	13	67		2
31	199	266	22	162	140	193	54	11	44		2
32	147	226	6	88	106	152	39	13	62		5
33	123	206	5	81	91	142	32	9	23		2
34	104	195	6	70	108	107	24	11	20		1
35	102	217	5	83	112	125	26	4	14		2
36	73	237	1	106	117	127	18	5	8		
37	77	245	4	87	109	140	15	2	8		2
38	58	186	2	103	166	98	15	1	16		2
39	68	214	2	91	100	108	13	2	18		
40	54	197	1	96	74	98	9	2	9		1
41	36	147	1	57	89	97	9		15		1
42	30	135		89	35	75	7		3		1
43	28	64		44	33	67	9		7		1
44	20	47		32	28	55	1		1		
45	13	38		32	14	51	8		1		
46	13	21		32	6	26	6		3		
47	11	17		22	10	43	1		1		2
48	12	7		16	11	43	1		1		
49	14	3		13	2	38			1		
50	7	3		5	5	24	2		1		
51	6			3	1	17					
52	6	1		3		13					
53	5	2		2		12					
54	2	1		2		10					
55	3			1	1	7					
56	2			2		8	1				
57	1			1		12					
58						4					
59						2					
60						2					
61						1					
62						4					
63						1					
65						1					
67						1					
Total.	4,185	4,188	3,483	2,244	1,689	4,173	1,399	379	738	120	75

TABLE NO. 75.—Statement showing by vocation the number, sex, and cause for which retired, of the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931

Vocation	Total number	Cause of retirement							
		Male				Female			
		Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service	Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service
Mechanics.....	4, 185	2, 307	676	815	74	197	74	34	8
City letter carriers.....	4, 153	2, 720	1, 019	1	413				
Rural letter carriers.....	3, 483	2, 900	542	6	24	5	6		
Post-office clerks.....	2, 244	1, 367	470	2	137	162	91		15
Railway postal clerks.....	1, 699	1, 407	233	1	57	1			
Departmental and other clerks.....	4, 175	1, 941	885	289	92	423	457	47	41
Laborers, classified and unclassified.....	1, 399	834	216	81	10	155	94	8	1
Hazardous occupations and tropical service.....	379	303	61	4	4	5	2		
Mechanics, navy yard.....	738	481	82	80	88	3	3		1
Laborers, navy yard.....	120	87	24	4	5				
Indian field service.....	75	34	4	2	1	25	5		1
Total.....	22, 650	14, 381	4, 212	1, 285	905	976	735	89	67

TABLE NO. 76.—Statement showing, by departments and independent establishments, the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931

Departments and independent establishments	Total	Cause of retirement							
		Male				Female			
		Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service	Age	Disability	Involuntary separation	30 years' service
State.....	13	7	2	1			2		1
Treasury.....	2, 041	1, 096	301	122	49	245	205	9	14
War.....	2, 001	1, 121	336	381	42	48	56	16	1
Justice.....	50	23	15	4	1	2	4	1	
Post Office.....	12, 229	8, 765	2, 430	20	650	209	131	3	21
Navy.....	3, 133	1, 730	591	647	105	31	21	6	2
Interior.....	775	324	93	42	3	172	169	25	7
Agriculture.....	539	337	121	4	7	26	41	1	2
Commerce.....	242	123	38	3	3	34	31	2	8
Labor.....	108	59	33	1	1	8	6		
District of Columbia.....	190	133	33		6	10	8		
Government Printing Office.....	699	379	68	42	27	125	36	17	5
Civil Service Commission.....	8	3			3		2		
Public Buildings and Public Parks.....	115	54	31	1	2	10	13	3	1
Interstate Commerce Commission.....	20	12	7	1					
Federal Trade Commission.....	2	2							
Veterans' Administration.....	132	30	43	10	4	9	31	2	3
Architect of the Capitol.....	39	33	3			2	1		
Library of Congress.....	30	7	3			9	9	1	1
General Accounting Office.....	132	57	21	3	2	26	21	2	
Smithsonian Institution.....	37	26	7	1		2	1		
All others.....	115	60	36	2		8	7	1	1
Total.....	22, 650	14, 381	4, 212	1, 285	905	976	735	89	67

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TABLE No. 76.—Statement showing, by departments and independent establishments, the annuitants on the roll June 30, 1931—Continued

Departments and independent establishments	Vocation										
	Mechanics	City letter carriers	Rural letter carriers	Post-office clerks	Rail-way postal clerks	Departmental and other clerks	Laborers, classified and unclassified	Hazardous occupations and tropical service	Mechanics, navy yard	Laborers, navy yard	Indian Field Service
State.....	1					11					
Treasury.....	425					1,166	432	1			
War.....	1,074					617	272	38			
Justice.....	3					43	3	1			
Post Office.....	39	4,153	3,483	2,244	1,699	442	169				
Navy.....	1,808					222	231	14	738	120	
Interior.....	60					596	31	13			
Agriculture.....	24					254	34	227		75	
Commerce.....	33					199	8	2			
Labor.....	16					81	11				
District of Columbia.....	38					106	45	1			
Government Printing Office.....	595					48	56				
Civil Service Commission.....						6	1	1			
Public Buildings and Public Parks.....	22					48	45				
Interstate Commerce Commission.....	1					19					
Federal Trade Commission.....						2					
Veterans' Administration.....	9					112	10	1			
Architect of the Capitol.....	13					2	24				
Library of Congress.....	4					23	7				
General Accounting Office.....	5					128					
Smithsonian Institution.....	15					22	10				
All others.....						28	10	62			
Total.....	4,185	4,153	3,483	2,244	1,699	4,175	1,399	379	738	120	75

FINANCE TABLES

TABLE NO. 77.—*Analysis of reported obligations from all appropriations, by purpose, fiscal year 1931*

Personal services:	
Salaries.....	\$50,817,503
Special and miscellaneous payments.....	6,213,396
Supplies and materials:	
Stationery and office supplies.....	799,128
Medical and hospital supplies.....	1,830,101
Scientific and educational supplies.....	418,415
Fuel.....	1,270,113
Wearing apparel and sewing supplies.....	559,075
Forage.....	154,811
Provisions.....	9,992,038
Sundry supplies.....	267,579
Motor-vehicle supplies.....	67,373
Communication service:	
Telegraph service.....	41,449
Telephone service.....	157,879
Other communication service.....	50,522
Travel expenses:	
Transportation.....	3,262,245
Subsistence.....	957,993
Special and miscellaneous expenses incident to travel.....	351,694
Transportation of things.....	898,163
Printing and binding, engraving, lithographing, photographing, and typewriting (service) (job work): Printing and binding.....	190,882
Furnishing of heat, light, power, etc.....	1,248,354
Rents.....	220,524
Repairs and alterations.....	4,018,429
Special and miscellaneous current expenses.....	191,495
Pensions, retirement salaries, annuities, World War allowances, and insurance losses:	
Military and naval compensation for death and disability.....	249,698,052
Other World War allowances (adjusted compensation).....	2,466,436
Army and Navy pensions.....	234,176,283
Insurance losses (converted insurance).....	19,400,633
Military and naval insurance.....	117,976,592
Grants, subsidies, and contributions: Burials.....	3,114,767
Equipment:	
Furniture, furnishings, and fixtures.....	1,771,519
Educational, scientific, and recreational equipment.....	533,554
Other equipment.....	295,223
Structures and parts and nonstructural improvements to lands (including field equipment).....	11,713,546
Investments (includes working capital funds):	
Investment trust funds—	
1. Government life insurance trust fund.....	59,111,234
2. Adjusted service certificate fund.....	224,000,000
3. Civil service retirement and disability fund.....	20,850,000
Subtotal.....	303,961,234
Additional amounts transferred to other departments and establishments:	
War Department.....	3,021,735
Navy Department.....	4,295,426
St. Elizabeths Hospital (Interior Department).....	238,497
Freedmen's Hospital (Interior Department).....	9,000
Treasury Department (Public Health Service).....	1,174,839
Agriculture Department.....	26,226
Navy (services).....	30,275
Personnel Classification Board.....	15,000
Total.....	1,038,558,010

TABLE No. 78.—Disbursements from each appropriation of the former Veterans' Bureau to June 30, 1931

Purpose	Receipts			Disbursements		Covered into Treasury	Balance
	Appropriation	Other than appropriation	Total	Fiscal year	To date		
Total.....	\$5,830,553,816.27	\$1,580,795,208.79	\$7,411,349,025.06	\$511,678,902.30	\$5,722,163,083.67	\$246,158,521.95	\$1,443,027,419.44
Salaries and expenses, Veterans' Administration 1931-32.....	1,975,000.00		1,975,000.00	474,468.21	474,468.21		1,500,531.79
Salaries and expenses, 1931.....	46,900,000.00		46,900,000.00	43,989,704.89	43,989,704.89		2,910,295.11
Salaries and expenses, 1930.....	42,700,000.00		42,700,000.00	1,497,160.57	41,330,482.58		1,369,517.42
Salaries and expenses, 1929.....	40,494,152.00		40,494,152.00	3,576.13	40,249,363.48		244,788.52
Salaries and expenses, 1928.....	38,200,000.00		38,200,000.00	1,476.86	38,170,352.05	29,167.53	480.42
Salaries and expenses, 1927.....	38,483,000.00		38,483,000.00	1,67.60	37,245,282.80	1,237,717.20	
Salaries and expenses, 1926.....	42,364,000.00		42,364,000.00	1,168.36	41,976,465.39	387,534.61	
Salaries and expenses, 1925.....	48,015,000.00		48,015,000.00	1,62.77	44,640,166.21	3,374,833.79	
Salaries and expenses, 1924.....	44,984,063.00	8,506.80	49,992,569.80	1,74.41	42,971,759.19	7,020,809.61	
Salaries and expenses, 1923.....	34,970,974.65	1,066.62	34,972,061.17	1,99.28	33,782,079.21	1,189,981.96	
Salaries and expenses, 1922.....	7,400,400.00		7,400,400.00		6,181,807.41	1,188,898.43	29,694.16
Salaries and expenses, 1921.....	10,324,400.00		10,324,400.00	1,8.14	9,241,454.07	1,082,945.93	
Salaries and expenses, 1920.....	15,862,806.00		15,862,806.00	1,266.28	15,342,994.24	519,811.76	
Salaries and expenses, 1919.....	16,468,500.00		16,468,500.00	1,50.83	15,842,337.42	626,162.58	
Salaries and expenses, 1918.....	3,387,800.00		3,387,800.00		3,316,993.93	70,806.07	
Printing and binding, 1931.....	180,000.00		180,000.00	161,765.91	161,765.91		18,234.09
Printing and binding, 1930.....	125,000.00		125,000.00	16,564.63	119,535.65		5,464.35
Printing and binding, 1929.....	135,037.72		135,037.72	37.72	135,037.72		
Printing and binding, 1928.....	125,000.00		125,000.00		125,000.00		
Printing and binding, 1927.....	165,000.00		165,000.00		159,476.04	5,523.96	
Printing and binding, 1926.....	117,000.00		117,000.00		114,666.65	2,333.35	
Printing and binding, 1925.....	275,000.00		275,000.00		163,269.51	111,730.49	
Printing and binding, 1924.....	300,000.00		300,000.00		140,398.98	159,601.02	
Administrative expenses adjusted compensation, 1924-25.....	1,188,500.00		1,188,500.00		835,069.73	353,430.27	
Adjusted service and dependent pay.....	41,629,398.00		41,629,398.00	2,463,148.16	40,823,757.04		805,640.96
Adjusted service certificate fund.....	896,000,000.00	97,055,043.01	993,055,043.01	19,391,652.05	110,735,825.17		882,319,217.84
Increase of compensation, 1924.....	3,353,280.00		3,353,280.00		1,909,876.29	1,443,189.04	214.67
Increase of compensation, 1923.....	4,013,480.00		4,013,480.00		2,730,494.56	1,279,195.45	3,789.99
Increase of compensation, 1922.....	2,923,024.00		2,923,024.00	1,33	2,044,584.60	878,439.40	
Increase of compensation, 1921.....	780,000.00		780,000.00		728,779.55	53,220.45	
Increase of compensation, 1920.....	1,515,000.00		1,515,000.00		1,286,694.81	228,305.19	
Vocational rehabilitation, 1926 to July 2, 1928.....	2,389,342.64		2,389,342.64	1,409.24	2,370,146.45		19,196.19
Vocational rehabilitation, 1926.....	24,804,657.36		24,804,657.36	1,123.65	24,804,461.74	195.62	
Vocational rehabilitation, 1925.....	89,000,000.00		89,000,000.00	1,3,040.93	58,981,786.95	30,018,213.05	
Vocational rehabilitation, 1924.....	120,743,000.00	786,177.42	121,529,177.42	1,5,370.90	103,905,395.31	17,623,782.11	
Vocational rehabilitation, 1923.....	148,209,188.80	58,434.63	148,267,623.43	1,5,550.79	147,727,924.75	539,698.68	
Vocational rehabilitation, 1922.....	178,214,182.00	654.27	178,214,836.27	1,5,014.40	165,756,114.28	12,458,721.99	

Vocational rehabilitation, 1921	105,000,000.00		105,000,000.00	1,040.91	102,393,542.24	2,606,457.76	
Vocational rehabilitation, 1920	31,000,000.00		31,000,000.00	193.32	30,935,346.92	64,653.08	
Vocational rehabilitation	8,000,000.00	28.30	8,000,028.30	13.36	7,998,715.92		1,312.38
Vocational rehabilitation revolving fund	500,000.00		500,000.00		9,313.29		490,686.71
Vocational rehabilitation special fund		78,144.50	78,144.50		78,060.98		83.52
Medical and hospital services, 1921 and prior years	39,600,000.00		39,600,000.00	30,949,696.57	30,949,696.57		8,650,303.43
Medical and hospital services, 1930	3,000,000.00		3,000,000.00	1,676,971.23	2,854,600.96		145,399.04
Medical and hospital services, 1930 and prior years	31,650,000.00		31,650,000.00	3,577,854.36	29,961,067.82		1,688,932.18
Medical and hospital services, 1929 and prior years	31,675,000.00		31,675,000.00	159,768.54	30,294,205.48		1,380,794.52
Medical and hospital services, 1928 and prior years	29,575,000.00		29,575,000.00	16,185.60	29,513,964.92	60,636.06	399.02
Medical and hospital services, 1927 and prior years	30,501,000.00		30,501,000.00	134.18	30,366,708.71	134,291.29	
Medical and hospital services, 1926 and prior years	34,671,484.41		34,671,484.41	12,350.28	33,407,655.96	1,263,828.45	
Medical and hospital services, 1925	43,980,515.59		43,980,515.59	1,969.75	33,963,778.84	10,016,736.75	
Medical and hospital services, 1924	45,883,710.00	852,786.13	46,736,496.13	1,403.64	29,183,245.82	17,553,250.31	
Medical and hospital services, 1923	64,658,680.00	44,709.99	64,703,389.99	1,277.40	46,467,126.55	18,236,263.44	
Medical and hospital services, 1922	78,278,930.00		78,278,930.00	13,501.81	68,781,224.37	9,497,705.63	
Medical and hospital services, 1921	54,710,272.00		54,710,272.00		54,268,429.25	439,662.13	2,180.62
Hospital and domiciliary facilities and services, Veterans' Administration	16,350,000.00		16,350,000.00	21,900.24	21,900.24		16,328,099.76
Hospital facilities and services, 1928-29	7,000,000.00		7,000,000.00	518,120.86	6,966,648.82		33,351.18
Hospital facilities and services, 1928-27	8,000,000.00		8,000,000.00		7,650,000.00	350,000.00	
Hospital facilities and services, 1924-1926	3,850,000.00		3,850,000.00		3,846,117.20	3,882.80	
Hospital facilities and services	38,000,000.00		38,000,000.00	8,500,298.71	33,843,848.01		4,156,151.99
Soldiers' and sailors' civil relief claims, 1923	25,000.00		25,000.00		19,383.65	5,616.35	
Military and naval compensation, 1931 and prior years	250,400,000.00		250,400,000.00	248,644,745.15	248,644,745.15		1,755,254.85
Military and naval compensation, 1930 and prior years	205,200,895.55		205,200,895.55	5,457,539.18	204,848,449.56		352,445.99
Military and naval compensation, 1929 and prior years	189,300,000.00		189,300,000.00	129,390.52	189,044,586.20		255,413.80
Military and naval compensation, 1928 and prior years	215,100,000.00		215,100,000.00	122,577.81	215,044,025.67	34,534.23	21,440.10
Military and naval compensation, 1927 and prior years	140,541,000.00		140,541,000.00	1,200.44	140,390,802.50	150,197.50	
Military and naval compensation, 1926 and prior years	154,288,000.00		154,288,000.00	10,969.89	154,151,910.54	136,089.46	
Military and naval compensation, 1925 and prior years	65,230,000.00		65,230,000.00	10,557.73	65,093,449.01	136,550.99	
Military and naval compensation	675,600,000.00		675,600,000.00	58,376.45	674,732,482.45	867,517.55	
Military and naval insurance, 1931 and prior years	120,000,000.00		120,000,000.00	117,166,507.07	117,166,507.07		2,833,492.93
Military and naval insurance, 1930 and prior years	123,849,104.45		123,849,104.45	930,977.12	123,426,728.81		422,375.64
Military and naval insurance, 1929 and prior years	115,250,000.00		115,250,000.00	19,188.50	115,177,578.52		72,421.48
Military and naval insurance, 1928 and prior years	114,000,000.00		114,000,000.00	1,288.77	113,907,434.86	92,452.27	
Military and naval insurance, 1927 and prior years	123,000,000.00		123,000,000.00	1,082.13	122,876,733.48	123,266.52	
Military and naval insurance, 1926	116,080,000.00		116,080,000.00	4,565.07	116,055,307.64	24,692.36	
Military and naval insurance, 1925	88,000,000.00		88,000,000.00	2,390.23	87,950,997.30	49,002.70	
Military and naval insurance, 1924	90,000,000.00		90,000,000.00	2,111.43	89,980,503.05	19,496.95	
Military and naval insurance, 1923	13,235,000.00		13,235,000.00	1,629.32	13,227,512.17	7,487.83	
Military and naval insurance	23,000,000.00	453,342,760.54	476,342,760.54	142,876.71	474,235,487.45		2,107,273.09
United States Government life insurance		654,892,557.74	654,892,557.74	25,951,864.28	143,675,256.21		511,217,196.53
Allotment trust fund		320,526,000.00	320,526,000.00	1,628.19	300,840,764.33	19,500,000.00	185,235.67
Military and naval family allowance	298,615,000.00		298,615,000.00	3,441.84	282,085,491.62	15,900,000.00	629,508.38
Marine and seamen's insurance	50,000,000.00	53,148,319.94	103,148,319.94	1,600.00	35,077,918.69	67,000,000.00	1,070,401.25
Miscellaneous	240,038.10		240,038.10	61,840.76	239,953.10		85.00

¹ Credit.

² Represents payments on certificates matured by death of veteran; includes \$485,047.45 deducted from payment of matured certificates on account of loans previously made from adjutant service certificate fund (plus accrued interest from date of loan to death of veteran).

³ Includes encumbrances, but not investments and loans.

TABLE NO. 79.—Disbursements made from all appropriations of the former Veterans' Bureau, by fiscal years

Date	Total	Salaries and expenses							
		1931-32		1931		1930		1918-1929	
		Direct	Allotments	Direct	Allotments	Direct	Allotments	Direct	Allotments
Total.....	\$5,722,163,063.67	\$474,468.21		\$44,141,630.80	\$9,840.00	\$41,450,018.23		\$327,046,283.96	\$2,752,620.34
Fiscal year, 1931.....	511,678,902.30	474,468.21		44,141,630.80	9,840.00	1,513,725.20		2,339.32	
Fiscal year, 1930.....	452,150,622.17					39,936,283.03		1,803,002.56	
Fiscal year, 1929.....	432,742,969.44							40,059,884.49	
Fiscal year, 1928.....	421,000,759.69							37,950,602.97	\$ 1,351.97
Fiscal year, 1927.....	405,348,447.70							36,712,606.96	\$ 231,093.59
Fiscal year, 1926.....	436,105,174.36							42,293,819.09	6,247.67
Fiscal year, 1925.....	393,755,857.18							45,142,056.23	17,368.23
Fiscal year, 1924.....	415,138,398.17							40,218,667.43	2,961,450.00
Fiscal year, 1923.....	470,815,632.55							33,003,791.50	
Fiscal year, 1922.....	481,603,795.07							6,013,726.37	
Fiscal year, 1921.....	396,577,173.48							9,405,474.86	
Fiscal year, 1920.....	294,459,999.75							15,341,125.31	
Fiscal year, 1919.....	471,959,348.66							16,270,257.38	
To June 30, 1918.....	138,816,689.86							2,828,929.49	

Date	Increase of compensation 1920-1924	Adjusted compensation			Vocational rehabilitation				
		Administrative expense	Certificate fund	Dependent pay	1926-July 2, 1928	1926	1920-1925	No date	Special fund
Total	\$8,698,429.81	\$835,069.73	\$1,110,735,825.17	\$40,823,757.04	\$2,370,146.45	\$24,804,461.74	\$609,700,110.45	\$7,998,715.92	\$78,060.98
Fiscal year, 1931	\$ 1.33		19,391,652.05	2,463,148.16	\$ 1,409.24	\$ 123.65	\$ 20,211.25	\$ 3.36	
Fiscal year, 1930			20,131,368.75	3,130,214.35	\$ 49.37	\$ 23.27	\$ 20,152.03		
Fiscal year, 1929			19,744,738.58	6,453,346.34	21,184.75	\$ 4.73	\$ 24,155.21	51.32	
Fiscal year, 1928	\$ 96.67		17,098,354.86	10,152,767.74	255,397.60	\$ 80.56	\$ 21,548.65	\$ 43.90	
Fiscal year, 1927	\$ 20.00	8.13	14,407,783.32	9,959,630.34	2,095,022.71	95,693.22	15,458.15	81.93	
Fiscal year, 1926	\$ 3,183.66	26,060.38	15,354,526.61	5,626,193.46		24,709,000.73	1,131,715.84	\$ 164.34	\$ 70.63
Fiscal year, 1925	6,093.68	809,001.22	4,607,401.00	3,038,456.65			60,482,603.24	\$ 124.40	3,606.09
Fiscal year, 1924	1,929,637.67						106,180,311.97	774,137.90	7,437.19
Fiscal year, 1923	2,751,180.02						149,401,923.42	30,837.78	67,088.33
Fiscal year, 1922	1,996,326.40						165,627,120.03	424,021.19	
Fiscal year, 1921	731,794.89						98,844,620.56	220,372.65	
Fiscal year, 1920	1,286,698.81						28,102,424.38	6,549,549.15	
Fiscal year, 1919									
To June 30, 1918									

¹ Includes revolving fund loans outstanding June 30, 1931, \$9,313.29.

² Includes printing and binding, 1931, \$161,765.91.

³ Includes printing and binding, 1930, \$119,535.65.

⁴ Includes printing and binding, 1924-1929, \$837,848.90.

⁵ Credits.

⁶ Represents payments on certificates matured by death of veteran; includes \$485,047.45 deducted from payment of matured certificates on account of loans previously made from adjusted service certificate fund (plus accrued interest from date of loan to death of veteran).

Date	Hospital and domiciliary facilities and services, Veterans Administration ⁷		Military and naval compensation	Military and naval insurance	United States Government life insurance	Marine and seamen's insurance	Miscellaneous
	Direct	Allotments					
Total	\$52,233,389.47	\$95,124.80	\$1,891,950,451.08	\$1,374,004,790.35	\$143,675,359.21	\$35,077,918.69	\$259,336.75
Fiscal year, 1931	9,040,319.81	-----	253,969,221.49	117,924,352.03	25,951,864.23	1,600.00	61,840.76
Fiscal year, 1930	8,241,384.73	-----	199,229,268.09	122,768,894.22	24,677,347.60	-----	65,500.80
Fiscal year, 1929	4,044,330.08	§ 1.25	188,930,453.58	121,349,027.79	22,301,640.58	1,500.00	60,969.35
Fiscal year, 1928	5,221,569.72	-----	181,799,665.82	120,770,802.24	17,664,329.21	-----	4,477.81
Fiscal year, 1927	4,599,257.84	-----	173,476,965.39	120,965,998.81	11,864,371.29	-----	21,341.53
Fiscal year, 1926	4,511,491.97	§ 319.93	164,437,139.42	136,975,113.97	9,882,287.93	§ 33,583.69	12,153.00
Fiscal year, 1925	3,903,925.86	§ 9,250.00	129,597,457.54	104,136,493.50	8,962,316.34	1,500.00	13,535.10
Fiscal year, 1924	9,216,649.86	§ 1,724.89	115,494,991.41	101,239,648.19	7,481,512.37	4,100.00	§ 251.16
Fiscal year, 1923	2,582,959.60	61,420.87	125,594,269.62	99,418,389.29	6,700,194.79	9,525.50	19,769.56
Fiscal year, 1922	871,500.00	45,000.00	123,350,542.45	102,988,870.13	6,084,931.08	249,075.78	-----
Fiscal year, 1921	-----	-----	121,303,053.43	94,904,353.38	2,056,695.47	56,911.56	-----
Fiscal year, 1920	-----	-----	103,122,714.92	85,926,099.99	47,868.32	514,881.79	-----
Fiscal year, 1919	-----	-----	11,301,342.65	43,798,357.93	-----	7,705,896.37	-----
To June 30, 1918	-----	-----	341,365.27	840,388.88	-----	26,565,511.38	-----

§ Credits.

⁷ Disbursements previous to fiscal year 1931 were out of hospital facilities and services.

§ Includes encumbrances.

§ Includes \$19,883.65, soldiers' and sailors' relief claims, 1923.

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TABLE No. 80.—Disbursements for pensions and for maintenance of pension system, by fiscal years from 1866 to 1931

Fiscal year	Paid as pensions ¹	Cost, maintenance, and expenses ²	Total
1866	\$15,450,549.88	\$407,165.00	\$15,857,714.88
1867	20,784,789.69	490,977.35	21,275,767.04
1868	23,101,509.36	553,020.34	23,654,529.70
1869	28,518,247.27	564,526.81	29,077,774.08
1870	29,351,488.78	600,997.96	29,952,486.64
1871	28,518,792.62	863,079.00	29,381,871.62
1872	29,752,746.81	951,253.00	30,703,999.81
1873	26,982,063.89	1,008,200.64	27,985,264.53
1874	30,206,778.99	966,794.13	31,173,573.12
1875	29,270,404.76	982,696.35	30,253,100.11
1876	27,936,209.53	1,015,078.81	28,951,288.34
1877	28,182,821.73	1,034,459.33	29,217,281.05
1878	26,736,009.44	1,032,600.09	27,768,609.53
1879	33,664,428.82	837,734.14	34,502,163.06
1880	56,686,229.08	935,037.28	57,624,256.36
1881	50,983,405.35	1,072,059.64	51,655,464.99
1882	54,313,172.05	1,466,236.01	55,779,408.06
1883	60,427,878.81	2,691,048.29	63,019,222.10
1884	67,912,387.47	2,836,181.00	60,747,568.47
1885	68,171,937.12	3,392,578.34	68,564,513.46
1886	64,091,142.90	3,245,016.61	67,336,159.51
1887	73,752,997.08	3,758,400.91	77,506,397.99
1888	73,850,801.67	3,615,057.27	82,465,558.94
1889	68,342,726.58	3,466,968.40	92,309,688.98
1890	106,063,850.39	3,526,382.13	109,620,232.52
1891	117,312,690.50	4,700,636.44	122,013,326.94
1892	136,394,147.11	4,898,685.80	144,292,812.91
1893	156,906,637.94	4,867,734.42	161,774,372.36
1894	130,986,726.17	3,963,976.31	148,950,702.48
1895	139,812,294.20	4,336,020.21	144,150,314.51
1896	138,220,704.46	3,991,376.61	142,212,080.07
1897	130,949,717.85	3,987,783.07	143,937,500.42
1898	144,681,870.80	4,114,091.46	148,795,971.26
1899	138,355,052.95	4,147,517.73	142,502,570.68
1900	138,462,130.65	3,941,708.74	142,303,839.39
1901	138,531,483.84	3,868,786.44	142,400,279.28
1902	137,504,287.99	3,831,378.96	141,335,646.95
1903	137,759,633.71	3,993,216.79	141,752,870.50
1904	141,063,571.49	3,849,366.25	144,942,937.74
1905	141,142,861.23	3,721,822.82	144,964,684.15
1906	139,000,288.25	3,523,260.51	142,523,548.76
1907	138,155,412.46	3,306,110.44	141,464,522.90
1908	143,083,086.27	2,800,963.36	155,894,049.63
1909	161,972,768.77	2,862,583.73	164,826,287.50
1910	169,974,056.08	2,657,673.86	162,821,729.94
1911	157,335,180.83	2,517,127.06	159,852,287.41
1912	182,968,433.72	2,445,857.31	155,435,291.08
1913	174,171,660.80	2,543,246.59	176,714,907.39
1914	172,417,546.26	2,066,507.15	174,484,053.41
1915	165,518,266.14	1,779,860.30	167,298,126.44
1916	159,185,089.92	1,656,722.33	160,811,812.25
1917	160,895,053.94	1,562,854.96	162,457,908.90
1918	179,835,328.75	1,527,615.61	181,362,944.36
1919	222,159,292.70	1,433,191.67	223,592,484.37
1920	213,265,314.65	1,395,014.09	214,660,328.74
1921	258,720,820.67	1,389,921.55	260,110,742.22
1922	253,807,583.37	1,394,079.47	255,201,662.84
1923	263,012,600.18	1,992,022.97	265,004,563.15
1924	239,994,777.60	1,497,698.53	231,492,476.13
1925	217,150,612.00	1,489,087.39	218,639,699.39
1926	207,844,348.29	1,436,001.05	209,280,349.34
1927	230,152,712.17	1,327,252.47	231,479,964.64
1928	228,965,672.49	1,214,565.95	230,180,238.44
1929	229,889,986.48	1,276,511.65	231,166,498.13
1930	219,203,540.82	1,272,203.23	220,475,744.05
1931	234,419,721.43	1,374,344.45	235,794,065.88
Total	8,307,532,548.31	152,957,460.46	8,460,490,008.77

¹ Includes Treasury settlements.

² Expenses of medical examinations and special field examinations not included.

TABLE No. 81.—Amount paid to pensioners of each war and the regular establishment, 1790 to end of fiscal year 1931,

War of the Revolution	\$70,000,900.00	Regular establishment	\$96,946,352.18
War of 1812	46,198,730.40	World War	282,288.88
Indian Wars	46,023,406.83	Unclassified	16,513,425.54
War with Mexico	59,813,608.97		
Civil War	7,422,455,764.46	Total	8,403,978,194.54
War with Spain	572,755,232.28		

TABLE NO. 83.—Policy loans, United States Government life insurance fund

Month	Loans outstanding at beginning of month	New loans issued during month	Repayments						Net increase for month	Loans outstanding at end of month	
			By cash	By deduction from—				Total repayments			
				Surrenders	Loans	Claims	Matured endowments				Dividend deposits and payments
1930											
July.....	\$60,477,689.89	\$5,587,262.97	\$197,155.34	\$261,605.74	\$3,288,523.13	\$16,599.31	-----	\$126.67	\$3,764,010.19	\$1,823,252.78	\$62,300,942.67
August.....	92,300,942.67	5,068,675.10	201,290.26	283,302.55	3,094,481.49	22,446.62	-----	339.25	3,601,860.17	1,466,814.93	63,767,757.60
September.....	63,767,757.60	5,196,923.85	199,927.91	301,884.99	3,221,847.70	37,750.34	\$8,384.00	123.76	3,769,918.70	1,427,005.15	65,194,762.75
October.....	65,194,762.75	6,084,167.93	275,310.64	533,444.36	3,509,298.41	37,149.82	-----	130.70	4,355,333.93	1,728,834.00	66,923,596.75
November.....	66,923,596.75	5,855,284.65	251,910.34	368,794.83	3,472,910.96	38,548.25	-----	296.11	4,132,520.49	1,722,764.16	68,646,360.91
December.....	68,646,360.91	7,346,937.64	265,002.57	356,148.50	4,515,125.38	26,601.06	-----	213.70	5,163,091.51	2,183,846.13	70,830,207.04
1931											
January.....	70,830,207.04	7,924,951.72	294,999.65	554,342.03	4,885,923.92	49,030.74	-----	108.98	5,784,405.32	2,140,546.40	72,970,753.44
February.....	72,970,753.44	6,605,728.50	338,365.13	431,339.49	4,324,362.76	38,840.68	-----	466.35	5,133,374.41	1,472,354.09	74,443,107.53
March.....	74,443,107.53	5,642,690.67	375,586.98	450,497.80	3,700,678.13	56,673.89	-----	297.03	4,583,733.83	1,058,946.84	75,502,054.37
April.....	75,502,054.37	5,502,673.46	603,272.57	531,228.86	3,622,839.62	55,110.70	-----	291.31	4,812,743.06	689,930.40	76,191,984.77
May.....	76,191,984.77	5,909,239.06	593,874.91	453,658.17	3,936,920.39	32,142.12	3,915.64	201.34	5,020,712.57	888,526.49	77,080,511.26
June.....	77,080,511.26	6,442,212.79	443,221.77	411,826.29	4,072,078.13	52,334.14	7,200.00	286.50	4,986,946.83	1,455,265.96	78,535,777.22
Total.....	-----	73,166,738.34	4,039,918.07	4,938,073.91	45,645,050.02	463,227.67	19,499.64	2,881.70	55,108,651.01	18,058,087.33	-----

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Total amount of policy loans issued to date.....	\$242,406,953.14
Outstanding policy loans July 1, 1930.....	60,477,689.89
New loans issued during fiscal year.....	\$73,166,738.34
Less:	
Repayments in cash.....	\$4,039,918.07
Repayments by deduction—	
(a) From new loans.....	\$45,645,050.02
(b) From surrenders.....	4,938,073.91
(c) From claims.....	463,227.67
(d) From dividend deposits and dividend payments.....	2,881.70
(e) From matured endowments.....	19,499.64
Total collection by deduction.....	51,065,732.94
Total repayments.....	55,108,651.01
Net increase in outstanding loans.....	18,058,087.33
Outstanding policy loans June 30, 1931.....	78,535,777.22

TABLE No. 84.—Financial statement of the United States Government life insurance fund by calendar years from origin of fund to December 31, 1930

	From origin to Dec. 31, 1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930
Ledger assets Dec. 31.....	\$71,428,561.66	\$103,731,836.63	\$137,564,186.64	\$178,294,158.80	\$227,192,167.62	\$293,007,839.03	\$360,172,852.59	\$424,807,291.59
INCOME								
Premiums.....	108,066,483.97	36,775,806.74	40,978,147.22	49,544,202.37	64,409,927.59	69,912,340.90	69,167,676.35	68,230,744.72
Interest.....	8,698,068.04	5,154,961.72	6,608,550.63	8,498,358.76	10,728,639.93	12,993,056.36	15,959,415.28	19,951,484.75
Increase by amortization of bonds.....	520,450.50	191,990.54	199,162.21	203,237.45	47,153.24	0	0	0
Dividends deposited by policyholders.....	16,673.68	18,960.70	26,440.34	33,790.04	46,778.00	62,200.53	67,832.35	101,238.71
Received from the United States on account of the extra hazards of military and naval service.....	8,816,572.82	2,355,102.20	4,343,604.07	4,342,278.66	5,192,274.40	8,640,285.19	8,682,828.22	7,436,405.88
Consideration for supplementary installment contracts under claims.....	6,442,498.55	2,386,853.50	3,316,978.84	3,971,672.63	4,901,770.88	8,802,343.83	9,446,853.31	9,363,611.88
Other income.....	94,241.10	96,673.27	79,776.96	89,154.48	2,658,194.30	1,177,106.14	506,691.45	1,236,973.47
Total income.....	132,654,988.66	46,979,748.67	55,552,660.27	66,682,694.39	87,984,738.34	101,587,332.95	103,831,296.96	106,320,459.41
Total.....	204,083,550.32	150,711,585.30	193,116,846.91	244,976,853.19	315,176,905.96	394,595,171.98	464,004,149.55	531,127,751.00
DISBURSEMENTS								
Claims (death and total permanent disability).....	16,882,941.29	6,201,436.22	7,350,917.72	8,968,967.04	11,954,185.75	19,764,935.91	22,478,085.43	22,029,245.45
Surrender values.....	4,253,120.24	2,583,236.82	2,733,629.50	3,303,056.13	3,571,933.68	4,960,046.78	6,326,624.16	7,268,137.23
Accrued interest on bonds purchased.....	1,050,894.61	306,406.50	357,693.75	430,557.63	493,636.00	116,037.73	85,114.78	10,833.33
Premiums refunded, disapproved applications, and premiums paid in advance.....	642,818.66	196,054.69	154,385.91	214,897.25	389,961.11	819,005.56	433,317.14	434,140.20
Dividends paid policyholders.....	4,683,426.35	2,587,932.85	2,798,258.95	3,088,667.61	3,848,752.29	5,961,484.04	6,039,283.67	6,903,625.19
Paid on supplementary installment contracts under claims.....	1,107,999.58	1,196,648.58	1,337,504.06	1,556,298.30	1,755,842.24	2,408,166.29	3,299,932.06	3,997,669.23
Other disbursements.....	301,951.30	75,683.00	90,298.20	222,241.61	174,755.86	392,643.08	534,500.72	467,116.30
Total disbursements.....	28,923,152.03	13,147,398.66	14,822,688.11	17,784,685.57	22,169,066.93	34,422,319.39	39,196,857.96	41,110,766.93
Balance.....	175,160,398.29	137,564,186.64	178,294,158.80	227,192,167.62	293,007,839.03	360,172,852.59	424,807,291.59	490,016,984.07
ASSETS								
<i>Ledger assets</i>								
Book value of bonds, amortized.....	96,885,767.06	127,147,236.13	161,274,835.84	204,563,400.22	223,924,734.06	229,571,190.93	210,874,052.51	161,309,717.23
Policy loans.....	5,721,787.68	9,875,242.64	14,849,466.11	20,934,731.40	28,218,101.74	36,584,274.09	52,130,189.71	70,830,207.04
Adjusted service certificate loans.....	0	0	0	0	35,363,964.55	85,570,332.73	149,651,088.12	241,911,567.84
Cash on hand.....	1,124,281.89	541,707.87	2,169,856.85	1,694,036.00	5,501,038.68	8,447,054.84	12,151,961.25	15,965,491.96
Total ledger assets as per "balance" under income and disbursements.....	103,731,836.63	137,564,186.64	178,294,158.80	227,192,167.62	293,007,839.03	360,172,852.59	424,807,291.59	490,016,984.07

TABLE NO. 84.—Financial statement of the United States Government life insurance fund by calendar years from origin of fund to December 31, 1930—Continued

	From origin to Dec. 31, 1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930
ASSETS—continued								
<i>Nonledger assets</i>								
Interest accrued on bonds, loans, and deferred premiums.....	\$338,815.32	\$1,532,230.07	\$2,435,017.51	\$3,555,810.99	\$5,201,769.82	\$8,044,287.05	\$11,139,981.79	\$14,278,094.53
Premiums due (grace period).....	233,281.58	90,356.83	202,328.90	382,298.85	114,663.74	632,020.61	493,861.62	472,522.26
Premiums in course of collection through Government departments.....	275,813.09	273,238.04	150,769.14	406,889.64	463,215.61	487,031.17	427,456.95	428,142.53
Due from United State on account of the extra hazards of military and naval service.....	57,660.98	724,472.28	320,182.28	221,441.62	0	0	0	0
Policy Moneys.....	17,495.63	21,782.56	25,368.80	35,168.28	73,285.25	81,703.17	83,518.50	88,205.52
Total nonledger assets.....	1,523,066.60	2,647,078.77	3,133,666.63	4,601,609.38	5,852,984.42	9,245,042.00	12,144,818.86	15,266,964.84
Total assets.....	105,254,903.23	140,211,265.41	181,427,825.43	231,793,777.00	298,860,773.45	369,417,894.59	436,952,110.45	505,283,948.91
LIABILITIES								
Reserves.....	88,287,459.94	130,608,656.68	158,322,309.00	208,501,689.00	257,527,752.00	323,690,924.00	380,975,879.00	440,821,441.00
Present value of future installments on claims.....	5,096,789.21	6,563,408.16	8,908,167.00	11,590,627.65	15,238,281.55	22,376,932.43	29,635,720.93	36,322,257.37
Claims in process of settlement.....	1,156,107.00	1,033,667.80	1,250,561.07	1,663,713.82	4,467,150.51	4,049,669.10	2,808,433.71	3,785,798.59
Premiums paid in advance.....	5,069,227.74	5,955,875.36	6,384,818.88	7,041,466.03	10,198,727.16	7,793,699.41	10,932,572.40	10,188,034.13
Dividends deposited with interest.....	17,323.67	35,219.43	57,868.82	88,867.56	133,112.12	190,588.20	247,090.12	342,660.99
Advance payments from War Department.....	253,428.40	254,111.12	132,477.54	362,009.73	430,833.58	447,573.35	428,980.68	428,889.48
Apportioned for payment of dividends.....	2,759,732.00	2,950,000.00	3,300,000.00	4,200,000.00	6,250,000.00	6,300,000.00	7,300,000.00	8,200,000.00
Other liabilities.....	142,478.82	111,175.28	132,484.07	196,331.63	1,084,866.06	170,915.38	122,826.45	85,436.68
Unassigned funds.....	2,512,356.45	2,699,251.58	2,939,159.05	3,159,071.58	3,530,050.47	4,397,592.72	4,500,607.16	5,109,430.67
Total liabilities.....	105,254,903.23	140,211,265.41	181,427,825.43	231,793,777.00	298,860,773.45	369,417,894.59	436,952,110.45	505,283,948.91

TABLE No. 85.—Bond investments of United States Government life insurance fund as of June 30, 1931

Description.....	1925 Treasury 4¼ per cent	Farm loan bonds, 4½ per cent	Farm loan bonds, 4¼ per cent	Grand total
Par value.....	\$28,000,000.00	\$69,200,000.00	\$32,550,000.00	\$129,750,000.00
Purchase price.....	28,092,996.13	69,742,644.40	32,477,590.04	130,313,230.57
Market value.....	31,780,000.00	62,972,000.00	27,993,000.00	122,745,000.00
Book value.....	28,078,921.59	69,686,696.71	32,483,858.24	130,249,476.54
Annual interest.....	1,190,000.00	3,114,000.00	1,383,375.00	5,687,375.00
Interest accrued to date, not paid.....	247,916.67	1,557,000.00	691,687.50	2,496,604.17

Average effective rate (all holdings), 4.36 per cent.
Average price paid per \$100 (all holdings), \$100.43.

TABLE No. 86.—Financial statement of the civil service retirement and disability fund, by fiscal years, from origin of fund to June 30, 1931

Fiscal year ending June 30	Receipts					Disbursements				Balance in fund June 30
	Deductions from pay of employee	Interest and profits on investments	Service credit payments and miscellaneous receipts	Appropriations	Total receipts	Annuities	Refunds and interest	Direct settle- ments by general accounting office adjustments	Total disburse- ments	
1921.....	\$12,513,636.69	\$62,144.50	\$10,608.18	.....	\$12,586,389.37	\$2,590,568.52	\$322,964.07	\$186,467.41	\$3,100,000.00	\$9,486,389.37
1922.....	14,071,553.97	587,254.64	23,686.09	.....	14,682,494.70	4,188,258.89	2,203,198.04	¹ 122,953.27	6,268,503.66	17,900,380.41
1923.....	14,112,827.70	961,883.87	60,892.71	.....	15,155,609.28	4,964,001.92	2,785,755.97	¹ 75,927.18	7,673,830.71	25,382,158.98
1924.....	15,109,451.49	1,484,514.97	48,304.52	.....	16,642,270.98	5,694,898.95	2,864,138.12	65,961.97	8,624,999.04	33,399,430.92
1925.....	17,905,070.98	2,030,001.13	93,795.58	.....	20,028,867.69	6,239,146.45	2,713,452.18	¹ 71,046.32	8,881,552.31	44,546,746.30
1926.....	17,871,530.80	2,204,513.36	97,647.70	.....	20,173,691.86	6,766,601.17	3,443,864.32	64,534.51	10,275,000.00	54,445,438.16
1927.....	24,186,924.99	2,812,581.84	168,957.01	.....	27,168,463.84	9,598,285.73	3,862,422.09	114,895.58	13,575,603.40	68,038,296.60
1928.....	26,331,137.04	3,048,244.55	123,474.64	.....	29,502,856.23	10,990,454.20	3,771,152.65	¹ 137,525.75	14,624,091.10	82,917,063.73
1929.....	28,015,924.73	4,446,797.16	107,018.45	\$19,950,000.00	52,519,740.34	12,005,059.88	4,067,423.54	¹ 78,107.96	15,994,375.46	119,442,428.61
1930.....	28,915,041.20	5,899,257.42	133,067.45	20,500,000.00	55,447,366.07	13,107,731.55	5,049,107.36	186,536.35	18,343,375.26	156,546,419.42
1931.....	20,698,262.54	7,332,320.46	245,929.15	21,000,000.00	58,276,512.15	19,859,891.09	4,160,371.69	427,889.47	24,448,152.25	¹ 190,374,779.32
Total.....	228,731,362.13	30,889,518.90	1,113,381.48	² 61,450,000.00	322,184,262.51	96,004,898.35	35,243,890.03	560,724.81	131,809,483.19	.....

¹ Credit.

² Includes \$450,000 for District of Columbia liability.

³ Exclusive of \$672,712.15 unexpended balance to credit of disbursing officer.

CONSTRUCTION TABLE

TABLE No. 87.—Statement showing United States veterans' hospitals, existing facilities, and development of facilities under present appropriations or authorizations only, through fiscal year 1933

(The construction program as outlined by this table is tentative and is subject to such changes as may be indicated by future developments in the hospital load)

Hospital number and location	Type for which principally used	Total beds available June 30, 1930	Additions, fiscal year 1931	Total beds available June 30, 1931	Additions, fiscal year 1932	Total beds available June 30, 1932	Additions, fiscal year 1933	Total beds available June 30, 1933
24. Palo Alto, Calif.	Neuropsychiatric	1,010		1,010		1,010		1,010
27. Alexandria, La.	General	421		421	18	439		439
32. Washington, D. C.	do	206		206	65	270		270
37. Waukesha, Wis.	do	250		250		250		250
42. Perry Point, Md.	Neuropsychiatric	1,015		1,015	146	1,015		1,015
48. Atlanta, Ga.	General		200	200		200		200
49. Philadelphia, Pa.	Neuropsychiatric	416		416		416		416
50. Whipple, Ariz.	Tuberculosis	600		600		600		600
51. Tucson, Ariz.	do	261		261	98	359		359
52. Boise, Idaho	General	235		235	150	385		385
53. Dwight, Ill.	do	225		225		225		225
55. Fort Bayard, N. Mex.	Tuberculosis	450		450		450		450
57. Knoxville, Iowa	Neuropsychiatric	705		705	146	851		851
60. Oteen, N. C.	Tuberculosis	612		612		612	250	862
62. Augusta, Ga.	Neuropsychiatric	617		617	138	755	150	905
63. Lake City, Fla.	General	302	5	307		307		307
67. Kansas City, Mo.	do	200		200		200		200
72. Fort Harrison, Mont.	do	306		306		306	150	456
74. Gulfport, Miss.	Neuropsychiatric	425		425	138	563		563
Edw. Hines, Jr., Hines, Ill.	General	1,007	648	1,655		1,655		1,655
77. Portland, Oreg.	do	313		313		313	50	363
78. North Little Rock, Ark.	Neuropsychiatric	750		750		750	80	830
79. Outwood, Ky.	Tuberculosis	375		375		375		375
80. Fort Lyon, Colo.	do	500	138	638		638		638
81. Bronx, N. Y.	Neuropsychiatric	950		950		950		950
85. Walla Walla, Wash.	Tuberculosis	355		355		355		355
86. Sheridan, Wyo.	Neuropsychiatric	438		438		438		438
88. Memphis, Tenn.	General	360		360	120	480		448
89. Rutland Heights, Mass.	Tuberculosis	420		420	14	434	50	840
90. Muskogee, Okla.	General	400		400		400		400
91. Tuskegee, Ala.	Neuropsychiatric	747		747		747		747
92. Jefferson Barracks, Mo.	General	403	31	372		372		372
93. Legion, Tex.	Tuberculosis	433		433		433		433
94. American Lake, Wash.	Neuropsychiatric	495	17	512		512	164	676
95. Northampton, Mass.	do	555		555		555		555
96. Sunmount, N. Y.	Tuberculosis	375	5	380	100	480		480

97. Chillicothe, Ohio.....	Neuropsychiatric.....	614		614		614	302	916
98. Castle Point, N. Y.....	Tuberculosis.....	400	25	425		425		425
99. Excelsior Springs, Mo.....	General.....		301	301		301		301
100. Camp Custer, Mich.....	Neuropsychiatric.....	602	34	636	138	774		774
101. St. Cloud, Minn.....	do.....	494		494		494		494
102. Livermore, Calif.....	Tuberculosis.....	318		318		318		318
103. Aspinwall, Pa.....	do.....	226		226	43	269	200	469
104. San Fernando, Calif.....	do.....	230		230		230		230
105. North Chicago, Ill.....	Neuropsychiatric.....	667	468	1,135		1,135		1,135
106. Minneapolis, Minn.....	General.....	557	5	562		562		562
107. Bedford, Mass.....	Neuropsychiatric.....	492	152	644		644	145	789
108. Northport, Long Island, N. Y.....	do.....	944		944	448	1,392		1,392
109. Fargo, N. Dak.....	General.....	57		57		57		57
110. Lyons, N. J.....	Neuropsychiatric.....		430	430	465	895		895
111. Coatesville, Pa.....	do.....		483	483		483	478	961
112. Lincoln, Nebr.....	General.....		197	197		197		197
113. Newington, Conn.....	do.....		249	249		249		249
114. Lexington, Ky.....	do.....		249	249		249		249
115. Indianapolis, Ind.....	do.....				30	30		30
116. Marion, Ind.....	Neuropsychiatric.....					1,400	1,400	1,400
Waco, Tex.....	do.....					152		152
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	General.....					308		308
Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	do.....					273		273
Salt Lake City, Utah.....	do.....					262		262
San Francisco, Calif.....	do.....					103		103
New York, N. Y.....	do.....					200		200
Canandaigua, N. Y.....	Neuropsychiatric.....				468	468		468
Huntington, W. Va.....	General.....						207	207
Columbia, S. C.....	do.....						300	300
Wichita, Kans.....	do.....						150	150
Total.....		22,732	3,575	26,307	5,477	31,784	2,676	34,460

¹ New construction to replace existing frame facilities not included in total additions.

² Decrease.

APPENDIX

PUBLIC ACTS

[PUBLIC—No. 497—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. R. 12099]

An Act To apply the pension laws to the Coast Guard

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of sections 4692, 4693, 4702, and 4703, Revised Statutes of the United States, with subsequent amendatory Acts, commonly known as the general pension law, be extended to the officers and enlisted men of the Coast Guard and their widows, children, and other dependents, under the same regulations and restrictions as are or may be provided by law with respect to officers and enlisted men of the Army and Navy.

SEC. 2. The benefits provided by this Act shall include claims for pension based upon diseases contracted, or death or injury incurred, in service and in line of duty, from and after the date of approval of this Act: *Provided, however,* That the date of commencement of pension granted hereunder shall commence from date of filing application in the Bureau of Pensions, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

SEC. 3. That no claim agent or attorney or other person shall contract for, demand, receive, or retain a fee of more than \$10 for services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting a claim for original pension under this Act; and no more than \$2 in a claim for increase of pension, which fee shall be payable only on the order of the Commissioner of Pensions; and any person who shall, directly or indirectly, otherwise contract for, demand, receive, or retain a fee for services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting any claim under this Act, or shall wrongfully withhold from the pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of the pension allowed or due such pensioner or claimant under this Act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall for each and every offense be fined not exceeding \$500 or be imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Approved, July 2, 1930.

[PUBLIC—No. 522—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. R. 13174]

An Act To amend the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 426, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. The director, subject to the general direction of the President, shall administer, execute, and enforce the provisions of this Act, and for that purpose shall have full power and authority to make rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, which are necessary or appropriate to carry out its purposes, and shall decide all questions arising under this Act; and all decisions of questions of fact and law affecting any claimant to the benefits of Titles II, III, or IV of this Act shall be conclusive except as otherwise provided herein. All officers and employees of the bureau shall perform such duties as may be assigned them by the director. All official acts performed by such officers or employees specially designated therefor by the director shall have the same force and effect as though performed by the director in person. Wherever under any provision or provisions of the Act regulations are directed or authorized to be made, such regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, shall or may be made by the director. The director shall adopt reasonable and

proper rules to govern the procedure of the divisions and to regulate and provide for the nature and extent of the proofs and evidence and the method of taking and furnishing the same in order to establish the right to benefits of compensation, insurance, vocational training, or maintenance and support allowance provided for in this Act, the forms of application of those claiming to be entitled to such benefits, the methods of making investigations and medical examinations, and the manner and form of adjudications and awards: *Provided*, That regulations relating to the nature and extent of the proofs and evidence shall provide that due regard shall be given to lay and other evidence not of a medical nature."

SEC. 2. That section 10 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 434, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended by adding thereto the following paragraphs:

"The director is further authorized to secure such recreational facilities, supplies, and equipment for the use of patients in hospitals, and for employees at isolated stations as he, in his discretion, may deem necessary, and the appropriations made available for the carrying out of the provisions of this section may be expended for that purpose."

SEC. 3. That section 16 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 442, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"**SEC. 16.** All sums heretofore appropriated for the military and naval insurance appropriation and all premiums collected for the yearly renewable term insurance provided by the provisions of Title III deposited and covered into the Treasury to the credit of this appropriation, shall, where unexpended, be made available for the bureau. All premiums that may hereafter be collected for the yearly renewable term insurance provided by the provisions of Title III hereof shall be deposited and covered into the Treasury for the credit of this appropriation. Such sum, including all premium payments, is made available for the payment of the liabilities of the United States incurred under contracts of yearly renewable term insurance made under the provisions of Title III, including the refund of premiums and such liabilities as shall have been or shall hereafter be reduced to judgment in a district court of the United States or in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Payments from this appropriation shall be made upon and in accordance with the awards by the director."

SEC. 4. That section 19 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 445, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"**SEC. 19.** In the event of disagreement as to claim, including claim for refund of premiums, under a contract of insurance between the bureau and any person or persons claiming thereunder an action on the claim may be brought against the United States either in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia or in the district court of the United States in and for the district in which such persons or any one of them resides, and jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon such courts to hear and determine all such controversies. The procedure in such suits shall be the same as that provided in sections 5 and 6 of the Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the bringing of suits against the Government of the United States,' approved March 3, 1887, and section 10 thereof so far as applicable. All persons having or claiming to have an interest in such insurance may be made parties to such suit, and such as are not inhabitants of or found within the district in which suit is brought may be brought in by order of the court to be served personally or by publication or in such other reasonable manner as the court may direct. In all cases where the bureau acknowledges the indebtedness of the United States upon any such contract of insurance and there is a dispute as to the person or persons entitled to payment, a suit in the nature of a bill of interpleader may be brought by the bureau in the name of the United States against all persons having or claiming to have any interest in such insurance in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia or in the district court in and for the district in which any such claimants reside: *Provided*, That no less than thirty days prior to instituting such suit the bureau shall mail a notice of such intention to each of the persons to be made parties to the suit. The circuit courts of appeal and the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia shall respectively exercise appellate jurisdiction and, except as provided in sections 346 and 347, title 28, United States Code, the decrees of the circuit courts of appeal and the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia shall be final.

"No suit on yearly renewable term insurance shall be allowed under this section unless the same shall have been brought within six years after the right accrued for which the claim is made or within one year after the date of approval of this amendatory Act, whichever is the later date, and no suit on United States Government life (converted) insurance shall be allowed under this section unless the same shall have been brought within six years after the right accrued for which the claim is made: *Provided*, That for the purposes of this section it shall be deemed that the right accrued on the happening of the contingency on which the claim is founded: *Provided further*, That this limitation is suspended for the period elapsing between the filing in the bureau of the claim sued upon and the denial of said claim by the director. Infants, insane persons, or persons under other legal disability, or persons rated as incompetent or insane by the bureau shall have three years in which to bring suit after the removal of their disabilities. If suit is seasonably begun and fails for defect in process, or for other reasons not affecting the merits, a new action, if one lies, may be brought within a year though the period of limitations has elapsed. Judgments heretofore rendered against the person or persons claiming under the contract of war-risk insurance on the ground that the claim was barred by the statute of limitations shall not be a bar to the institution of another suit on the same claim. No State or other statute of limitations shall be applicable to suits filed under this section.

"In any suit, action, or proceeding brought under the provisions of this Act subpoenas for witnesses who are required to attend a court of the United States in any district may run into any other district: *Provided*, That no writ of subpoena shall issue for witnesses living out of the district in which the court is held at a greater distance than one hundred miles from the place of holding the same without the permission of the court being first had upon proper application and cause shown. The word 'district' and the words 'district court' as used herein shall be construed to include the District of Columbia and the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

"Attorneys of the bureau when assigned to assist in the trial of cases, and employees of the bureau when ordered in writing by the director to appear as witnesses shall be paid the regular travel and subsistence allowance paid to other employees when on official travel status.

"Part time and fee basis employees of the bureau, in addition to their regular travel and subsistence allowance, when ordered in writing by the director to appear as witnesses in suits under this section, may be allowed, within the discretion and under written orders of the director, a fee in an amount not to exceed \$20 per day.

"Employees of the United States Veterans' Bureau who are subpoenaed to attend the trial of any suit, under the provisions of this Act, as witnesses for plaintiffs shall be granted official leave for the period they are required to be away from the bureau in answer to such subpoenas.

"The term 'claim' as used in this section, means any writing which alleges permanent and total disability at a time when the contract of insurance was in force, or which uses words showing an intention to claim insurance benefits and the term 'disagreement' means a denial of the claim by the director or some one acting in his name on an appeal to the director. This section, as amended, with the exception of this paragraph, shall apply to all suits now pending against the United States under the provisions of the War Risk Insurance Act, as amended, or the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended."

SEC. 5. That a new subdivision be added to section 21 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 450, title 38, United States Code), to be known as subdivision (3), and to read as follows:

"(3) All or any part of the compensation or insurance the payment of which is suspended or withheld under this section may, in the discretion of the director, be paid temporarily to the person having custody and control of the incompetent or minor beneficiary to be used solely for the benefit of such beneficiary, or, in the case of an incompetent veteran, may be apportioned to the dependent or dependents, if any, of such veterans. Any part not so paid and any funds of a mentally incompetent or insane veteran not paid to the chief officer of the institution in which such veteran is an inmate nor apportioned to his dependent or dependents under the provisions of section 202 (7) of this Act may be ordered held in the Treasury to the credit of such beneficiary. All funds so held shall be disbursed under the order and in the discretion of the director for the benefit of such veteran or his dependents. Any balance remaining in such fund to the

credit of any veteran may be paid to him if he recovers and is found competent, or otherwise to his guardian, curator, or conservator, or, in the event of his death, to his personal representative, except as provided in section 26 of this Act: *Provided*, That payment will not be made to his personal representative if, under the law of the State of his last legal residence, his estate would escheat to the State: *Provided further*, That any funds in the hands of a guardian, curator, conservator, or person legally vested with the care of the veteran or his estate, derived from compensation, automatic or term insurance payable under said Acts, which under the law of the State wherein the veteran had his last legal residence would escheat to the State, shall escheat to the United States and shall be returned by such guardian, curator, conservator, or person legally vested with the care of the veteran or his estate, less legal expenses of any administration necessary to determine that an escheat is in order to the bureau, and shall be deposited to the credit of the current appropriations provided for payment of compensation and insurance."

SEC. 6. That section 28 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 453, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 28. There shall be no recovery of payments from any person who, in the judgment of the director, is without fault on his part and where, in the judgment of the director, such recovery would defeat the purposes of benefits otherwise authorized or would be against equity and good conscience. No disbursing officer shall be held liable for any amount paid by him to any person where the recovery of such amount is waived under this section.

"When under the provisions of this section the recovery of a payment made from the United States Government life insurance fund is waived, the United States Government life insurance fund shall be reimbursed for the amount involved from the current appropriation for military and naval insurance.

"This section, as amended, shall be deemed to be in effect as of June 7, 1924."

SEC. 7. That section 30 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 456, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended by adding thereto a new subdivision to be known as subdivision (e), and to read as follows:

"(e) The director may authorize an inspection of bureau records by duly authorized representatives of the organizations designated in or approved by him under section 500 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe."

SEC. 8. That a new section be added to Title I of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, to be known as section 37, and to read as follows:

"SEC. 37. Checks properly issued to beneficiaries and undelivered for any reason shall be retained in the files of the bureau until such time as delivery may be accomplished, or, until three full fiscal years have elapsed after the end of the fiscal year in which issued."

SEC. 9. That a new section be added to Title I of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, to be known as section 38, and to read as follows:

"SEC. 38. The director is hereby authorized to purchase uniforms for all personnel employed as watchmen, elevator operators, and elevator starters in the Arlington Building, city of Washington, District of Columbia."

SEC. 10. That a new section be added to Title I of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, to be known as section 39, and to read as follows:

"SEC. 39. The Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to transfer to and accumulate in the War Department in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, all records and files containing information regarding medical and service records of veterans of the World War: *Provided*, That the necessary appropriation to accomplish the transfer of such records and files is hereby authorized."

SEC. 11. That section 200 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 471, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 200. For death or disability, resulting from personal injury suffered or disease contracted in the military or naval service on or after April 6, 1917, and before July 2, 1921, or for an aggravation or recurrence of a disability existing prior to examination, acceptance, and enrollment for service, when such aggravation was suffered or contracted in, or such recurrence was caused by, the military or naval service on or after April 6, 1917, and before July 2, 1921, by any commissioned officer or enlisted man, or by any member of the Army

Nurse Corps (female), or of the Navy Nurse Corps (female), when employed in the active service under the War Department or Navy Department, the United States shall pay to such commissioned officer or enlisted man, member of the Army Nurse Corps (female), or of the Navy Nurse Corps (female), or women citizens of the United States who were taken from the United States by the United States Government and who served in base hospitals overseas, or, in the discretion of the director, separately to his or her dependents, compensation as hereinafter provided; but no compensation shall be paid if the injury, disease, aggravation, or recurrence has been caused by his own willful misconduct: *Provided*, That no person suffering from paralysis, paresis, or blindness shall be denied compensation by reason of willful misconduct, nor shall any person who is helpless or bedridden as a result of any disability be denied compensation by reason of willful misconduct. That for the purposes of this section and section 304 every such officer, enlisted man, or other member employed in the active service under the War Department or Navy Department who was discharged or who resigned prior to July 2, 1921, and every such officer, enlisted man, or other member employed in the active service under the War Department or Navy Department on or before November 11, 1918, who on or after July 2, 1921, is discharged or resigns, shall be conclusively held and taken to have been in sound condition when examined, accepted, and enrolled for service, except as to defects, disorders, or infirmities made of record in any manner by proper authorities of the United States at the time of, or prior to, inception of active service, to the extent to which any such defect, disorder, or infirmity was so made of record: *Provided*, That an ex-service man who is shown to have or, if deceased, to have had, prior to January 1, 1925, neuropsychiatric disease, spinal meningitis, an active tuberculosis disease, paralysis agitans, encephalitis lethargica, or amoebic dysentery developing a 10 per centum degree of disability or more in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (4) of section 202 of this Act, shall be presumed to have acquired his disability in such service between April 6, 1917, and July 2, 1921, or to have suffered an aggravation of a preexisting neuropsychiatric disease, spinal meningitis, tuberculosis, paralysis agitans, encephalitis lethargica, or amoebic dysentery in such service between said dates, and said presumption shall be conclusive in cases of active tuberculosis disease and spinal meningitis, but in all other cases said presumption shall be rebuttable by clear and convincing evidence; but nothing in this proviso shall be construed to prevent a claimant from receiving the benefits of compensation and medical care and treatment for a disability due to these diseases of more than 10 per centum degree (in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (4) of section 202 of this Act) on or subsequent to January 1, 1925, if the facts in the case substantiate his claim.

"On and after the date of the approval of this amendatory Act any honorably discharged ex-service man who entered the service prior to November 11, 1918, and served ninety days or more during the World War, and who is or may hereafter be suffering from a 25 per centum or more permanent disability, as defined by the director, not the result of his own willful misconduct, which was not acquired in the service during the World War, or for which compensation is not payable, shall be entitled to receive a disability allowance at the following rates: 25 per centum permanent disability, \$12 per month; 50 per centum permanent disability, \$18 per month; 75 per centum permanent disability, \$24 per month; total permanent disability, \$40 per month. No disability allowance payable under this paragraph shall commence prior to the date of the passage of this amendatory Act or the date of application therefor, and such application shall be in such form as the director may prescribe: *Provided*, That no disability allowance under this paragraph shall be payable to any person not entitled to exemption from the payment of a Federal income tax for the year preceding the filing of application for such disability allowance under this paragraph. In any case in which the amount of compensation hereafter payable to any person for permanent disability under the provisions of this Act is less than the maximum amount of the disability allowance payable for a corresponding degree of disability under the provisions of this paragraph, then such person may receive such disability allowance in lieu of compensation. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to allow the payment to any person of both a disability allowance and compensation during the same period; and all payments made to any person for a period covered by a new or increased award of disability allowance or compensation shall be deducted from the amount payable under such new or increased award. As used in Titles I and V of the World War Veterans' Act.

1924, as amended, the term 'compensation' shall be deemed to include the term 'disability allowance' as used in this paragraph."

The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed, upon the request of the director, to transmit to the director a certificate stating whether the veteran who is applying for a disability allowance under this paragraph was entitled to exemption from the payment of a Federal income tax for the year preceding the filing of application for the disability allowance, and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the facts stated therein.

SEC. 12. That section 201, subdivisions (f) and (1), of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 472, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"(f) If there is a dependent mother (or dependent father), \$20, or both, \$30. The amount payable under this subdivision shall not exceed the difference between the total amount payable to the widow and children and the sum of \$75: *Provided*, That in case there is both a dependent mother and a dependent father, the amount payable to them shall not be less than \$20. Such compensation shall be payable, whether the dependency of the father or mother or both arises before or after the death of the person: *Provided*, That the status of dependency shall be determined as of the first day of each year, and the director is authorized to require a submission of such proof of dependency as he, in his discretion, may deem necessary: *Provided further*, That upon refusal or neglect of the claimant or claimants to supply such proof of dependency in a reasonable time the payment of compensation shall be suspended or discontinued.

"(1) If death occur or shall have occurred subsequent to April 6, 1917, and before discharge or resignation from the service, the United States Veterans' Bureau shall pay for burial and funeral expenses and the return of body to his home a sum not to exceed \$100, as may be fixed by regulation. Where a veteran of any war, including those women who served as Army nurses under contracts between April 21, 1898, and February 2, 1901, who was not dishonorably discharged, dies after discharge or resignation from the service, the director, in his discretion and with due regard to the circumstances of each case, shall pay, for burial and funeral expenses and the transportation of the body (including preparation of the body) to the place of burial, a sum not exceeding \$107 to cover such items and to be paid to such person or persons as may be fixed by regulations: *Provided*, That when such person dies while receiving from the bureau compensation or vocational training, or in a national military home, the above benefits shall be payable in all cases: *Provided further*, That where such person, while receiving from the bureau medical, surgical, or hospital treatment, or vocational training, dies away from home and at the place to which he was ordered by the bureau, or while traveling under orders of the bureau, or in a national military home, the above benefits shall be payable in all cases and in addition thereto the actual and necessary cost of the transportation of the body of the person (including preparation of the body) to the place of burial, within the continental limits of the United States, its Territories, or possessions, and including also, in the discretion of the director, the actual and necessary cost of transportation of an attendant: *Provided further*, That no accrued pension, compensation, or insurance due at the time of death shall be deducted from the sum allowed: *Provided further*, That the director may, in his discretion, make contracts for burial and funeral services within the limits of the amounts allowed herein without regard to the laws prescribing advertisements for proposals for supplies and services for the United States Veterans' Bureau: *Provided further*, That section 5, title 41, of the United States Code, shall not be applied to contracts for burial and funeral expenses heretofore entered into by the director so as to deny payment for services rendered thereunder, and all suspensions of payment heretofore made in connection with such contracts are hereby removed, and any and all payments which are now or may hereafter become due on such contracts are hereby expressly authorized: *Provided further*, That no deduction shall be made from the sum allowed because of any contribution toward the burial which shall be made by any State, county, or municipality, but the aggregate of the sum allowed plus such contribution or contributions shall not exceed the actual cost of the burial.

"Where a veteran of any war, including those women who served as Army nurses under contracts between April 21, 1898, and February 2, 1901, who was not dishonorably discharged, dies after discharge or resignation from the service, the director shall furnish a flag to drape the casket of such veteran and afterwards to be given to his next of kin regardless of the cause of death of such veteran."

SEC. 13. That subdivisions (3) and (5) of section 202 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (sections 473, 478, 479, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"(3) If and while the disability is rated as total and permanent, the rate of compensation shall be \$100 per month: *Provided, however,* That the permanent loss of the use of both feet, or both hands, or of both eyes, or of one foot and one hand, or of one foot and one eye, or of one hand and one eye, or the loss of hearing of both ears, or the organic loss of speech, or becoming permanently helpless or permanently bedridden, shall be deemed to be total permanent disability: *Provided further,* That the compensation for the loss of the use of both eyes shall be \$150 per month, and that compensation for the loss of the use of both eyes and one or more limbs shall be \$200 per month: *Provided further,* That for double total permanent disability the rate of compensation shall be \$200 per month.

"That any ex-service man shown to have a tuberculous disease of compensable degree, and who has been hospitalized for a period of one year, and who in the judgment of the director will not reach a condition of arrest by further hospitalization, and whose discharge from hospitalization will not be prejudicial to the beneficiary or his family, and who is not, in the judgment of the director, feasible for training, shall, upon his request, be discharged from hospitalization and rated as temporarily totally disabled, said rating to continue for the period of three years: *Provided, however,* That nothing in this subdivision shall deny the beneficiary the right, upon presentation of satisfactory evidence, to be adjudged to be permanently and totally disabled: *Provided further,* That in addition to the compensation above provided, the injured person shall be furnished by the United States such reasonable governmental, medical, surgical, and hospital services, including payment of court costs and other expenses incident to proceedings heretofore or hereafter taken for commitment of mentally incompetent persons to hospitals for care and treatment of the insane, and shall be furnished with such supplies, including wheel chairs, artificial limbs, trusses, and similar appliances, as the director may determine to be useful and reasonably necessary, which wheel chairs, artificial limbs, trusses, and similar appliances may be procured by the bureau in such manner, either by purchase or manufacture, as the director may determine to be advantageous and reasonably necessary: *Provided,* That nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect the necessary military control over any member of the Military or Naval Establishments before he shall have been discharged from the military or naval service: *Provided further,* That where any person entitled to the benefits of this paragraph has heretofore been hospitalized in a State institution, the United States Veterans' Bureau is hereby authorized to reimburse such person, or his estate, where payment has been made to the State out of the funds of such person, or to reimburse the State or any subdivision thereof where no payment has been made for the reasonable cost of such services from the date of admission.

"There shall be paid to any person who suffered the loss of the use of a creative organ or one or more feet or hands as the result of an injury received in the active service in line of duty between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, compensation of \$25 per month, independent of any other compensation which may be payable under this Act: *Provided, however,* That if such injury was incurred while the veteran was serving with the United States military forces in Russia, the dates herein stated shall extend from April 6, 1917, to April 1, 1920.

"(5) If the disabled person is so helpless as to be in need of a nurse or attendant, such additional sum shall be paid, but not exceeding \$50 per month, as the director may deem reasonable."

SEC. 14. That subdivision (7) of section 202 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 480, 481, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"(7) Where any disabled person having neither wife, child, nor dependent parent shall, after July 1, 1924, have been maintained by the Government of the United States for a period or periods amounting to six months in an institution or institutions, and shall be deemed by the director to be insane, the compensation for such person shall thereafter be \$20 per month so long as he shall thereafter be maintained by the bureau in an institution; and such compensation may in the discretion of the director, be paid to the chief officer of said institution to be used for the benefit of such person: *Provided, however,* That in any case where the estate of such veteran derived from funds paid under the War

Risk Insurance Act, as amended, and/or the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, equals or exceeds \$3,000, payment of the \$20 per month shall be discontinued until the estate is reduced to \$3,000: *Provided further*, That if such person shall recover his reason and shall be discharged from such institution as competent, such additional sum shall be paid him as would equal the total sum by which his compensation has been reduced or discontinued through the provisions of this subdivision.

"All or any part of the compensation of any mentally incompetent inmate of an institution may, in the discretion of the director, be paid to the chief officer of said institution to be properly accounted for and to be used for the benefit of such inmate, or may, in the discretion of the director, be apportioned to wife, child, or children, or dependent parents in accordance with regulations.

"That any ex-service person shown to have had a tuberculous disease of a compensable degree, who in the judgment of the director has reached a condition of complete arrest of his disease, shall receive compensation of not less than \$50 per month: *Provided, however*, That nothing in this provision shall deny a beneficiary the right to receive a temporary total rating for six months after discharge from a one year's period of hospitalization: *Provided further*, That no payments under this provision shall be retroactive, and the payments hereunder shall commence from the date of the passage of this Act or the date the disease reaches a condition of arrest, whichever be the later date.

"The director is hereby authorized and directed to insert in the rating schedule a minimum rating of permanent partial 25 per centum for arrested or apparently cured tuberculosis."

SEC. 15. (1) That so much of the second sentence of subdivision (10) of section 202 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 484, title 38, United States Code), as precedes the first proviso thereof, be hereby amended to read as follows:

"The director is further authorized, so far as he shall find that existing Government facilities permit, to furnish hospitalization and necessary traveling expenses incident to hospitalization to veterans of any war, military occupation, or military expedition, including those women who served as Army nurses under contracts between April 21, 1898, and February 2, 1901, and including persons who served overseas as contract surgeons of the Army at any time during the Spanish-American War, not dishonorably discharged, without regard to the nature or origin of their disabilities:"

(2) That the following new paragraph be added to subdivision (10) of section 202 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 484, title 38, United States Code), to read as follows:

"For the purposes of this section the Spanish-American War shall be construed to mean service between April 21, 1898, and July 4, 1902, and the term 'veteran' shall be deemed to include those persons retired or otherwise not dishonorably separated from the active list of the Army or Navy."

SEC. 16. That subdivision (15) of section 202 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 489, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"(15) That any person who is now receiving a gratuity or pension from the United States under existing law shall not receive compensation under this section unless he shall first surrender all claim to further payments of such gratuity or pension, except as hereafter provided and in subdivision (7) of section 201: *Provided*, That in the event of surrender of pension as hereinbefore set forth, any disability incurred in the military service of the United States, by reason of which said pension would be payable, shall be evaluated in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (4), section 202, and shall be payable as compensation under this Act: *Provided further*, That such compensation rating shall be combined with any other compensation rating awarded by reason of active service in the World War."

SEC. 17. That section 206 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 495, title 38, United States Code), be hereby repealed.

SEC. 18. That section 209 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 498, title 38, United States Code), be hereby repealed.

SEC. 19. That section 210 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 499, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 210. That no compensation shall be payable for any period more than one year prior to the date of claim therefor, nor shall increased compensation be awarded to revert back more than six months prior to the date of claim

therefor: *Provided*, That nothing herein shall be construed to permit the payment of compensation under the World War Veterans' Act, as amended, for any period prior to June 7, 1924. Except in case of fraud participated in by the beneficiary, no reduction in compensation shall be made retroactive." This section as amended to be effective June 7, 1924.

SEC. 20. That section 212 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 422, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended by adding thereto the following proviso:

"*Provided further*, That an application for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act, as amended, shall be deemed to be a claim for compensation under this Act, and an application for compensation under the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to be a claim for compensation under all subsequent amendments to said Act, this proviso to be effective as of June 7, 1924."

SEC. 21. That a new section be added to Title II of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, to be known as section 214, and to read as follows:

"SEC. 214. Where an incompetent veteran receiving disability compensation under the provisions of this Act disappears, the director, in his discretion, may pay to the dependents of such veteran the amount of compensation provided in section 201 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, for dependents of veterans."

SEC. 22. That section 301, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 512, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"In case where an insured whose yearly renewable term insurance has matured by reason of total permanent disability is found and declared to be no longer permanently and totally disabled, and where the insured is required under regulations to renew payment of premiums on said term insurance, and where this contingency is extended beyond the period during which said yearly renewable term insurance otherwise must be converted, there shall be given such insured an additional period of two years from the date on which he is required to renew payment of premiums in which to reinstate or convert said term insurance as hereinbefore provided: *Provided*, That where the time for conversion has been extended under the second paragraph of this section because of the mental condition or disappearance of the insured, there shall be allowed to the insured an additional period of two years from the date on which he recovers from his mental disability or reappears in which to convert.

"The insurance, except as provided herein, shall be payable in two hundred and forty equal monthly installments: *Provided*, That when the amount of an individual monthly payment is less than \$5, such amount may in the discretion of the director be allowed to accumulate without interest and be disbursed annually. Provisions for maturity at certain ages, for continuous installments during the life of the insured or beneficiaries, or both, for refund of premiums, cash, loan, paid-up, and extended values, dividends from gains and savings, and such other provisions for the protection and advantage of and for alternative benefits to the insured and the beneficiaries as may be found to be reasonable and practicable, may be provided for in the contract of insurance, or from time to time by regulations. All calculations shall be based upon the American Experience Table of Mortality and interest at 3½ per centum per annum, except that no deduction shall be made for continuous installments during the life of the insured in case his total and permanent disability continues more than two hundred and forty months. Subject to regulations, the insured shall at all times have the right to change the beneficiary or beneficiaries without the consent of such beneficiary or beneficiaries, but only within the classes herein provided."

SEC. 23. That the last proviso of section 304 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 515, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows: "*And provided further*. That, except as provided in section 301 of the World War Veterans' Act, as amended, no yearly renewable term insurance shall be reinstated after July 2, 1927."

SEC. 24. That section 307 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 518, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 307. All contracts or policies of insurance heretofore or hereafter issued, reinstated, or converted shall be incontestable from the date of issuance, reinstatement, or conversion, except for fraud, nonpayment of premiums, or on the ground that the applicant was not a member of the military or naval forces of the United States, and subject to the provisions of section 23: *Provided*. That the insured under such contract or policy may, without prejudicing his rights,

elect to make claim to the bureau or to bring suit under section 19 of this Act on any prior contract or policy, and if found entitled thereto, shall, upon surrender of any subsequent contract or policy, be entitled to payments under the prior contract or policy: *Provided further*, That this section shall be deemed to be effective as of April 6, 1917, and applicable from that date to all contracts or policies of insurance."

SEC. 25. That section 311 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (section 512b, title 38, United States Code), be hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 311. The director is hereby authorized and directed to include in United States Government life (converted) insurance policies provision whereby an insured, who is totally disabled as a result of disease or injury for a period of four consecutive months or more before attaining the age of sixty-five years and before default in payment of any premium, shall be paid disability benefits at the rate of \$5.75 monthly for each \$1,000 of converted insurance in force when total disability benefits become payable. The amount of such monthly payment under the provisions of this section shall not be reduced because of payment of permanent and total disability benefits under the United States Government life (converted) insurance policy. Such payments shall be effective as of the first day of the fifth consecutive month, and shall be made monthly during the continuance of such total disability. Such payments shall be concurrent with or independent of permanent total disability benefits under the United States Government Life (converted) insurance policy. In addition to the monthly disability benefits the payment of premiums on the United States Government life (converted) insurance policy and for the total disability benefits authorized by this section shall be waived during the continuance of such total disability. Regulations shall provide for reexamination of beneficiaries under this section; and, in the event that it is found that an insured is no longer totally disabled, the waiver of premiums and payment of benefits shall cease and the United States Government life (converted) insurance policy, including the total disability provision authorized by this section, may be continued by payment of premiums as provided in said policy and the total disability provision authorized by this section. Neither the dividends nor the amount payable in any settlement under any United States Government life (converted) insurance policy shall be decreased because of disability benefits granted under the provisions of this section. The payment of total disability benefits shall not prejudice the right of any insured, who is totally and permanently disabled, to total permanent disability benefits under his United States Government life (converted) insurance policy: *Provided*, That the provision authorized by this section shall not be included in any United States Government life (converted) insurance policy heretofore or hereafter issued, except upon application, payment of premium by the insured, and proof of good health satisfactory to the director. The benefit granted under this section shall be on the basis of multiples of \$500 and not less than \$1,000 or more than the amount of United States Government life (converted) insurance in force at time of application. The director shall determine the amount of the monthly premium to cover the benefits of this section, and in order to continue such benefits in force the monthly premiums shall be payable until the insured attains the age of sixty-five years or until the prior maturity of the policy. In all other respects such monthly premium shall be payable under the same terms and conditions as the regular monthly premium on the United States Government life (converted) insurance policy."

Approved, July 3, 1930.

[PUBLIC—No. 536—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. R. 10630]

An Act To authorize the President to consolidate and coordinate governmental activities affecting war veterans

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, (a) That the President is authorized, by Executive order, to consolidate and coordinate any hospitals and executive and administrative bureaus, agencies, or offices, especially created for or concerned

in the administration of the laws relating to the relief and other benefits provided by law for former members of the Military and Naval Establishments of the United States, including the Bureau of Pensions, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and the United States Veterans' Bureau, into an establishment to be known as the Veterans' Administration, and to transfer the duties, powers, and functions now vested by law in the hospitals, bureaus, agencies, or offices so consolidated and coordinated, including the personnel thereof, and the whole or any part of the records and public property belonging thereto to the Veterans' Administration.

(b) Under the direction of the President the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs shall have the power, by order or regulation, to consolidate, eliminate, or redistribute the functions of the bureaus, agencies, offices, or activities in the Veterans' Administration and to create new ones therein, and, by rules and regulations not inconsistent with law, shall fix the functions thereof and the duties and powers of their respective executive heads.

SEC. 2. There shall be at the head of such Veterans' Administration an administrator to be known as the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Such administrator shall receive a salary of \$12,000 a year, payable monthly. Upon the establishment of such Veterans' Administration all the functions, powers, and duties now conferred by law upon the Commissioner of Pensions, the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and the Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau are hereby conferred upon and vested in the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs. Such administrator, under the direction of the President, shall have the control, direction, and management of the various agencies and activities enumerated in and referred to in section 1 of this Act, and shall be charged with all the administrative duties relating to the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers and the Bureau of Pensions now imposed by law upon the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Interior, respectively. All final decisions or orders of any division, bureau, or board in the Veterans' Administration shall be subject to review, on appeal, by such administrator.

SEC. 3. All property the title of which now stands in the name of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers is hereby transferred to and the title thereof vested in the United States. If by reason of any defeasance or conditional clause or clauses contained in any deed of conveyance to the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers the full and complete enjoyment and use of any of the property hereby transferred to the United States shall be threatened, it shall be the duty of the Attorney General, upon request of the President of the United States, to institute in the district court of the United States for the district within which such property is located such proceedings as shall be proper to extinguish all outstanding adverse interests: *Provided*, That the Attorney General shall have authority to procure and accept on behalf of the United States by gift, purchase, cession, or otherwise, evidenced by appropriate instruments of conveyance or cession, absolute title to and complete jurisdiction over all of the lands and other property herein transferred and conveyed to the United States.

SEC. 4. (a) The personnel on duty at the time of consolidation at the various branches of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers shall be transferred to and given appointment in the Veterans' Administration, subject to such change in designation and organization as the Administrator may deem necessary.

(b) Such of the personnel as are not inmates of any of the branches of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers may, by Executive order, be given a civil-service status in accordance with the laws relating thereto upon such terms and conditions as the President may direct. Whether covered into the civil service or not, the salaries of such officers and employees (other than inmates) shall be fixed in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended (United States Code, title 5, chapter 13; United States Code, Supplement III, title 5, chapter 13).

SEC. 5. (a) When the consolidation and coordination herein provided for shall have been effected in the Veterans' Administration the President shall so declare by proclamation or order, whereupon the corporation known as the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers and the Board of Managers shall cease to exist.

(b) All contracts and other valid and subsisting obligations of the corporation, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, shall continue and be

and become obligations of the United States, and the United States shall be considered as substituted for said corporation with respect to all such demands either by or against said corporation, unless and until they shall thereafter be superseded or discharged according to law. The outstanding obligations assumed by the United States by virtue of the provisions of this subdivision may be enforced by suit in the Court of Claims or in the district courts of the United States according to the ordinary provisions of law governing actions against the United States, and such courts shall have the power to enter judgment against the United States, with interest, in the same manner and to the same extent as if said corporation were party defendant. No such suit shall be maintained upon any cause of action existing at the time of the dissolution of said corporation or arising simultaneously therewith, unless brought within two years from the time of such dissolution.

SEC. 6. (a) All unexpended appropriations in respect of any hospital, bureau, agency, office, or home consolidated into the Veterans' Administration shall, upon such consolidation, become available for expenditure by the Veterans' Administration and shall be treated as if the Veterans' Administration had been originally named in the laws making the appropriations.

(b) All orders, rules, regulations, and permits or other privileges, issued or granted in respect of any function consolidated under the provisions of this Act and in effect at the time of the consolidation, shall continue in effect to the same extent as if such consolidation had not occurred, until modified, superseded, or repealed by the Administrator.

(c) The Administrator shall make annually, at the close of each fiscal year, a report in writing to the Congress, giving an account of all moneys received and disbursed by him and his administration, describing the work done, and stating his activities under subdivision (b) of section 1 of this Act, and making such recommendations as he shall deem necessary for the active performance of the duties and purposes of his administration.

SEC. 7. All laws relating to the Bureau of Pensions, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and the United States Veterans' Bureau, and other governmental bureaus, agencies, offices, and activities herein authorized and directed to be consolidated, so far as the same are applicable, shall remain in full force and effect, except as herein modified, and shall be administered by the Administrator, except that section 4835 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.

Approved, July 3, 1930.

[Extract from Public, No. 612, 71st Congress]

[H. R. 15592]

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Military and naval compensation: For an additional amount for the payment of military and naval compensation accruing during the fiscal year 1931 or in prior fiscal years, to be available for similar purposes under the appropriation "Military and naval compensation, Veterans' Bureau, 1931 and prior years," \$36,250,000.

Army and Navy pensions: Army and Navy pensions, as follows: For invalids, widows, minor children, and dependent relatives, Army nurses, and all other pensioners who are now borne on the rolls, or who may hereafter be placed thereon, under the provisions of any and all Acts of Congress, fiscal year 1931, \$19,500,000: *Provided*, That the appropriation aforesaid for Navy pensions shall be paid from the income of the Navy pension fund, so far as the same shall be sufficient for that purpose: *Provided further*, That the amount expended under each of the above items shall be accounted for separately.

Approved, February 6, 1931.

[Extract from Public, No. 720, 71st Congress]

[H. R. 16415]

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Administration, Medical, Hospital, and Domiciliary Services: For all salaries and expenses of the Veterans' Administration, including the expenses of maintenance and operation of medical, hospital, and domiciliary services of the Veterans' Administration, in carrying out the duties, powers, and functions devolving upon it pursuant to the authority contained in the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to consolidate and coordinate governmental activities affecting war veterans," approved July 3, 1930 (46 Stat., p. 1016), and any and all laws for which the Veterans' Administration is now or may hereafter be charged with administering, \$110,228,707: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$3,500 of this amount shall be available for expenses, except membership fees, of employees detailed by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to attend meetings of associations for the promotion of medical science and annual national conventions of organized war veterans: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available also for personal services and rentals in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, including traveling expenses; for expenses incurred in packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household effects and other property, not exceeding in any one case five thousand pounds, of employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty and when specifically authorized by the administrator; furnishing and laundering of such wearing apparel as may be prescribed for employees in the performance of their official duties; purchase and exchange of law books, books of reference, periodicals, and newspapers; for passenger-carrying and other motor vehicles, including purchase, maintenance, repair, and operation of same; for operating expenses of the Arlington Building and annex, including repairs and mechanical equipment, fuel, electric current, ice, ash removal, and miscellaneous items; for allotment and transfer to the Public Health Service, the War, Navy, and Interior Departments, for disbursement by them under the various headings of their applicable appropriations, of such amounts as are necessary for the care and treatment of beneficiaries of the Veterans' Administration, including minor repairs and improvements of existing facilities under their jurisdiction necessary to such care and treatment; for expenses incidental to the maintenance and operation of farms; for recreational articles and facilities at institutions maintained by the Veterans' Administration; for administrative expenses incidental to securing employment for war veterans; for funeral, burial, and other expenses incidental thereto for beneficiaries of the Veterans' Administration accruing during the fiscal year 1932 or prior fiscal years.

No part of this appropriation shall be expended for the purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any new hospital or home, or for the purchase of any hospital or home; and not more than \$4,800,000 of this appropriation may be used to repair, alter, improve, or provide facilities in the several hospitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration either by contract or by the hire of temporary employees and the purchase of materials.

For printing and binding for the Veterans' Administration, including all its bureaus and functions located in Washington, District of Columbia, and elsewhere, \$157,000.

Compensation: For the payment of military and naval compensation, emergency officers' retirement pay, and disability allowances, accruing during the fiscal year 1932 or in prior fiscal years for death or disability provided by the Act approved October 6, 1917, as amended, and the World War Veterans' Act 1924, approved June 7, 1924, as amended (U. S. C., title 38, secs. 421-576; U. S. C., Supp. III, title 38, secs. 422-537; Act July 3, 1930, vol. 46, p. 991), and the Act entitled "An Act making eligible for retirement, under certain conditions, officers and former officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States, other than officers of the Regular Army, Navy, or Marine Corps, who incurred physical disability in line of duty while in the service of the United States during the World War," of May 24, 1928 (U. S. C., Supp. III, title 38, secs. 581-582), and for the payment of annuities authorized

by the Acts approved May 23, 1908 (35 Stat., p. 1325), and February 28, 1929 (45 Stat., p. 1409), to the persons named therein, including James L. Hanberry in lieu of James F. Hanberry, and John H. Andrus in lieu of James A. Andrus, \$267,323,025.

Army and Navy pensions, as follows: For invalids, widows, minor children, and dependent relatives, Army nurses, and all other pensioners who are now borne on the rolls, or who may hereafter be placed thereon, under the provisions of any and all Acts of Congress, \$222,000,000, to be immediately available: *Provided*, That the appropriation aforesaid for Navy pensions shall be paid from the income of the Navy pension fund, so far as the same shall be sufficient for that purpose: *Provided further*, That the amount expended under each of the above items shall be accounted for separately.

For military and naval insurance accruing during the fiscal year 1932 or in prior fiscal years, \$121,500,000.

Hospital and domiciliary facilities and services: For carrying out the provisions of the Acts entitled "An Act to authorize an appropriation to provide additional hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities for persons entitled to hospitalization under the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, and for other purposes," approved December 23, 1929 (46 Stat., p. 53), \$7,950,000; "An Act to establish a branch home of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in one of the Northwest Pacific States," approved July 3, 1930 (46 Stat., p. 852), \$1,000,000; "An Act to provide for the establishment of a branch home of a National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in one of the Southern States," approved June 21, 1930 (46 Stat., pp. 792-793), \$1,000,000; "An Act to authorize an appropriation for construction at the Mountain Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Johnson City, Tennessee," approved July 1, 1930 (46 Stat., p. 843), \$650,000; "An Act authorizing the erection of a sanitary fireproof hospital at the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Togus, Maine," approved May 16, 1930 (46 Stat., p. 366), for the erection of these authorized facilities at or in the vicinity of the site specified, \$750,000; in all, \$11,350,000, to be made immediately available and to remain available until expended.

State and Territorial Homes for Disabled Soldiers and Sailors: For continuing aid to State or Territorial homes for the support of disabled volunteer soldiers, in conformity with the Act approved August 27, 1888 (U. S. C., title 24, sec. 134), as amended; including all classes of soldiers admissible to the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, \$600,000: *Provided*, That for any sum or sums collected in any manner from inmates of such State or Territorial homes to be used for the support of said homes a like amount shall be deducted from the aid herein provided for, but this proviso shall not apply to any State or Territorial home into which the wives or widows of soldiers are admitted and maintained.

Adjusted service certificate fund: For an amount necessary under section 505 of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act of May 19, 1924 (U. S. C., title 38, secs. 645-647), to provide for the payment of the face value of each adjusted service certificate in twenty years from its date or on the prior death of the veteran, \$112,000,000, to remain available until expended.

For financing of the liability of the United States, created by the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service, and for other purposes," approved May 22, 1920, and Acts amendatory thereof (U. S. C., title 5, sec. 707a), \$20,850,000, which amount shall be placed to the credit of the "civil-service retirement and disability fund."

Total, Veterans' Administration, \$866,012,732: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for the purchase of oleomargarine or butter substitutes except for cooking purposes.

Sec. 2. In expending appropriations or portions of appropriations, contained in this Act, for the payment for personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in any bureau, office or other appropriation unit shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act as amended, and in grades in which only one position is allocated the salary of such position shall not exceed the average of the compensation rates for the grade except that in unusually meritorious cases of one position in a grade advances may be made to rates higher than the average of the compensation rates of the grade but not

more often than once in any fiscal year and then only to the next higher rate: *Provided*, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed as of July 1, 1924, in accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act, (3) to require the reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one position to another position in the same or different grade in the same or a different bureau, office, or other appropriation unit, or (4) to prevent the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and is specifically authorized by other law.

SEC. 3. When specifically approved by the head of any independent bureau or establishment provided for herein, transfers may be made between the appropriations in this Act under the respective jurisdiction of any bureau, office, institution, or service, in order to meet increases in compensation resulting from the reallocation by the Personnel Classification Board of positions under any such organization unit. Any such transfers shall be reported to Congress in the annual Budget.

SEC. 4. Whenever, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1932, the executive head of any independent bureau, office, or establishment appropriated for in this Act shall find that the expenses of travel, including travel at official stations, can be reduced thereby, he may authorize in lieu of actual operating expenses, under such regulations as he may prescribe, the payment of not to exceed 3 cents per mile for motor cycles or 7 cents per mile for an automobile used for necessary travel on official business.

SEC. 5. This Act hereafter may be referred to as the "Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1932."

Total appropriated by this Act, \$1,052,777,010.

Approved, February 23, 1931.

[PUBLIC—No. 743—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. R. 17054]

An Act To increase the loan basis of adjusted service certificates

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 502 of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof two new subdivisions to read as follows:

"(1) For the purpose of this section the loan basis provided in subdivision (g) shall at no time be less than 50 per centum of the face value of the certificate, and in no event shall the rate of interest on any loan made after this subdivision takes effect exceed $4\frac{1}{2}$ per centum per annum, compounded annually. If at the time of application to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs for a loan the principal and interest on or in respect of any prior loan under this section have not been paid in full by the veteran (whether or not the loan has matured), then, on request of the veteran, the Administrator shall (1) pay or otherwise discharge such unpaid principal and so much of such unpaid interest (accrued or to accrue) as is necessary to make the certificate available for use as security for the new loan and (2) deduct the same from the then existing loan basis of the certificate.

"(m) Loans made by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs under this section may at his option be made out of the United States Government life insurance fund, or out of the Adjusted Service Certificate Fund created under section 506."

SEC. 2. Section 507 of such Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 507. All amounts in the fund shall be available for payment, by the Administrator, of adjusted service certificates upon their maturity or the prior death of the veteran, for payments under section 502 to banks on account of notes of veterans, and for making loans authorized by section 502, as amended."

SEC. 3. There is authorized to be appropriated such amounts as may be necessary to provide for the making of loans to veterans by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs under the World War Adjusted Compensation Act, as amended.

SEC. 4. This Act may be cited as the "Emergency Adjusted Compensation Act, 1931."

NICHOLAS LONGWORTH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
CHARLES CURTIS,
*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,
February 17 (calendar day, February 27), 1931.

The Senate having proceeded to reconsider the bill (H. R. 17054) entitled "An Act to increase the loan basis of adjusted service certificates," returned by the President of the United States to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, with his objections, and passed by the House on a reconsideration of the same, it was

Resolved, That the bill pass, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative.

Attest:

EDWIN P. THAYER, *Secretary.*

I certify that this Act originated in the House of Representatives.

WM. TYLER PAGE, *Clerk.*

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
February 26, 1931.

The President of the United States having returned to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, the bill (H. R. 17054) entitled "An Act to increase the loan basis of adjusted service certificates," with his objections thereto, the House proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the same; and

Resolved, That the bill pass, two-thirds of the House of Representatives agreeing to pass the same.

Attest:

WM. TYLER PAGE, *Clerk.*

[PUBLIC—No. 781—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. R. 15865]

An Act For the retirement of employees of the Panama Canal and the Panama Railroad Company, on the Isthmus of Panama, who are citizens of the United States

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all employees of the Panama Canal on the Isthmus of Panama, and all employees of the Panama Railroad Company, on the Isthmus of Panama, who are citizens of the United States and whose tenure of employment is not intermittent nor of uncertain duration, shall come within the provisions of this Act.

AUTOMATIC SEPARATION

SEC. 2. All employees to whom this Act applies shall, after reaching the age of sixty-two years and having rendered at least fifteen years of service on the Isthmus of Panama, be automatically separated from the service and retired on the annuity provided for herein; and all salary, pay, or compensation shall cease from that date: *Provided*, That if the Governor of the Panama Canal certifies to the Civil Service Commission that by reason of his efficiency and willingness to remain in the service, the continuance of such employee therein would be advantageous to the service, such employee may be retained for a term not exceeding two years, upon the approval and certification by the Civil Service Commission, and, at the end of the two-year term, by similar approval

and certification, be continued for an additional term not exceeding two years: *Provided, however,* That no employee shall be continued in the service beyond the age of retirement for more than four years, except that where the Governor of the Panama Canal certifies, and the Civil Service Commission agrees, that by reason of expert knowledge and special qualifications the continuance of the employee would be advantageous to the service, further extensions of two years may be granted.

All employees to whom this Act applies who would be eligible for retirement from the service upon attaining the age of sixty-two years shall, after attaining the age of sixty years and having rendered at least thirty years' service, computed as provided in section 7, of this Act, be eligible for retirement on an annuity as provided in section 6 of this Act. Retirement under the provisions of this paragraph shall be at the option of the employee, but if such option is not exercised prior to the date upon which the employee would otherwise be eligible for retirement from the service, the provisions of this Act with respect to automatic separation from the service shall apply.

VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT

SEC. 3. (a) Any employee to whom this Act applies who shall have attained the age of fifty-five and rendered at least twenty-five years of service, of which not less than fifteen years shall have been rendered on the Isthmus of Panama, may voluntarily retire on an annuity equivalent in value to the present worth of a deferred annuity beginning at the age at which the employee would otherwise have become eligible for retirement, computed as provided in section 6 of this Act, the present worth of said deferred annuity to be determined on the basis of the American Experience Table of Mortality and an interest rate of 4 per centum, compounded annually.

(b) Any employee to whom this Act applies may voluntarily retire on an annuity computed as provided in section 6, who shall have attained the age of fifty-five and rendered at least thirty years of service on the Isthmus of Panama (inclusive of absences while in the service of the United States during the World War), of which not less than three years shall have been in the employment of the Isthmian Canal Commission or the Panama Railroad Company between May 4, 1904, and April 1, 1914.

DISABILITY RETIREMENT—MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED

SEC. 4. (a) Any employee to whom this Act applies who shall have attained the age of fifty-five years and shall have rendered at least fifteen years of service on the Isthmus of Panama, and who shall have become physically or mentally disqualified to perform satisfactorily and efficiently the duties of his position or of any other position of approximately equal compensation to which he might be assigned, because of the strenuous or hazardous nature of such position, shall, upon the request or order of the Governor of the Panama Canal, be retired on an annuity computed in accordance with the provisions of section 6 hereof: *Provided,* That no such employees shall be so retired except after an examination and finding as to his mental or physical disqualifications as herein-after provided.

(b) Any employee to whom this Act applies who shall have served for a total period of not less than five years, and who, before becoming eligible for retirement under the conditions defined in section 2 hereof, shall have become totally disabled for useful and efficient service in the grade or class of position occupied by the employee, by reason of disease or injury not due to vicious habits, intemperance, or willful misconduct on the part of the employee, shall upon his own application or upon request or order of the Governor of the Panama Canal, be retired on an annuity computed in accordance with the provisions of section 6 hereof.

No claim shall be allowed under the provisions of this section unless the application for retirement shall have been executed prior to the applicant's separation from the service or within six months thereafter. No employee shall be retired under the provisions of this section unless he or she shall have been examined by a medical officer of the United States, or a duly qualified physician or surgeon or board of physicians or surgeons, designated by the Commissioner of Pensions for that purpose, and found to be disabled in the degree and in the manner specified herein.

Every annuitant retired under the provisions of this section, unless the disability for which he was retired be permanent in character, shall at the expiration of one year from the date of such retirement and annually thereafter, until reaching retirement age as defined in section 2 hereof, be examined under the direction of the Commissioner of Pensions by a medical officer of the United States, or a duly qualified physician or surgeon, or board of physicians or surgeons designated by the Commissioner of Pensions for that purpose, in order to determine the nature and degree of the annuitant's disability, if any. If an annuitant shall recover before reaching the age at which he would otherwise have become eligible for retirement and be restored to an earning capacity which would permit him to be appointed to some appropriate position fairly comparable in compensation to the position occupied at the time of retirement, payment of the annuity shall be continued temporarily to afford the annuitant opportunity to seek such available position, but not in any case exceeding ninety days from the date of the medical examination showing such recovery.

If the annuitant shall fail to obtain reemployment through no fault of his own within the ninety-day period in any position included in the provisions of this Act, he shall be considered as involuntarily separated from the service as of the date he shall have been retired for disability, and if otherwise eligible, entitled to an annuity under section 5 of this Act to begin at the close of said ninety-day period based on the service rendered prior to his retirement for disability.

The Commissioner of Pensions may order or direct at any time such medical or other examination as he shall deem necessary to determine the facts relative to the nature and degree of disability of any employee retired on an annuity under this section. Should an annuitant fail to appear for any examination required under this section, payment of the annuity shall be suspended until the requirement shall have been met.

In all cases where the annuity is discontinued under the provisions of this section before the annuitant has received a sum equal to the amount credited to his individual account as provided in section 11 (a) hereof, together with interest at 4 per centum per annum compounded on June 30 of each year, the difference, unless he shall become reemployed in a position within the purview of this Act, shall be paid to the retired employee, as provided in section 11 (b) hereof, upon application therefor in such form and manner as the Commissioner of Pensions may direct. In case of reemployment in a position within the purview of this Act the amount so refunded shall be redeposited as provided in section 11 (b) hereof.

No person shall be entitled to receive an annuity under the provisions of this Act, and compensation under the provisions of the Act of September 7, 1916, entitled "An Act to provide compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties, and for other purposes," or such Act as amended, covering the same period of time; but this provision shall not be so construed as to bar the right of any claimant to the greater benefit conferred by either Act for any part of the same period of time.

Fees for examinations made under the provisions of this section, by physicians or surgeons who are not medical officers of the United States, shall be fixed by the Commissioner of Pensions, and such fees, together with the employee's reasonable traveling and other expenses incurred in order to submit to such examinations, shall be paid out of the appropriations for the cost of administering this Act.

INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION FROM THE SERVICE

SEC. 5. Should any employee fifty-five years of age or over to whom this Act applies, after having served for a total period of not less than fifteen years and before becoming eligible for retirement under the conditions defined in section 2 hereof, become involuntarily separated from the service, not by removal for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency, such employee shall be paid as he may elect, either—

(a) The amount of the deductions from his basic salary, pay, or compensation, including accrued interest thereon computed as prescribed in section 11 (b) hereof;

(b) An immediate life annuity beginning at the date of separation from the service, having a value equal to the present worth of a deferred annuity beginning at the age at which the employee would otherwise have become eligible for retirement, computed as provided in section 6 of this Act, the present worth of said deferred annuity to be determined on the basis of the American Experience

Table of Mortality and an interest rate of 4 per centum, compounded annually; or

(c) A deferred annuity beginning at the age at which the employee would otherwise become eligible for retirement computed as provided in section 6 of this Act.

Any employee who has served for a period of not less than fifteen years, and who is forty-five years of age, or over, and less than fifty-five years, and who becomes separated from the service under the conditions set forth in this section shall be entitled to a deferred annuity, but such employee may, upon reaching the age of fifty-five years, elect to receive an immediate annuity as provided in paragraph (b) of this section.

Should an annuitant under the provisions of this section be reemployed in any position included in the provisions of this Act, payment of annuity shall not be allowed covering the period of such reemployment, and an annuity based upon involuntary separation shall not be allowed upon subsequent separation from the service unless such subsequent separation shall be involuntary.

METHOD OF COMPUTING ANNUITIES

SEC. 6. The annuity of an employee retired under the provisions of this Act shall be composed of—

(1) A sum equal to \$37.50 multiplied by the number of years of service, not to exceed thirty years, rendered (a) on the Isthmus of Panama, or (b) in the military or naval service of the United States in the Tropics; and

(2) The annuity purchasable with the sum to the credit of the employee's individual account, including accrued interest thereon computed as prescribed in section 11 (a) hereof, according to the experience of the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund as may from time to time be set forth in tables of annuity values by the board of actuaries; and

(3) Thirty dollars multiplied by the number of years of service rendered and not allowable under paragraph (1) hereof: *Provided*, That the number of years of service to be used in computing the allowance under paragraph (3) shall not exceed the difference between thirty and the number of allowable years of service under paragraph (1); and

(4) Thirty-six dollars multiplied by the number of years of service rendered on the Isthmus of Panama, either in the employ of the Isthmian Canal Commission or the Panama Railroad Company, between May 4, 1904, and April 1, 1914.

In no case, however, shall the total annuity paid exclusive of that provided in paragraph (4) hereof, be less than an amount equal to the sum of—

The average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation, not to exceed \$2,000 per annum, received by the employee during any five consecutive years of allowable service at the option of the employee, multiplied by the number of years of service used in computing the annuity under paragraph (1) hereof, and divided by forty; and the average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation, not to exceed \$1,600 per annum, received by the employee during any five consecutive years of allowable service at the option of the employee, multiplied by the number of years of service used in computing the annuity under paragraph (3) hereof, and divided by forty: *Provided*, That the annuity paid a retiring employee of the Panama Railroad Company in such service on June 30, 1931, shall be an amount equal to 2 per centum of the average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation, not to exceed \$5,000 per annum, received by the employee during any five consecutive years of allowable service at the option of the employee, multiplied by the number of years of allowable service rendered prior to July 1, 1931; plus the amount to which the employee is entitled under the provisions of this section, exclusive of paragraph (4), for service rendered subsequent to June 30, 1931: *Provided, however*, That the sum to be used in computing the annuity purchasable under paragraph (2) of this section shall include only contributions made subsequent to June 30, 1931: *And provided further*, That the number of years of service to be used in computing the annuity under paragraphs (1) and (3) of this section shall not exceed the difference between thirty and the number of years of allowable service rendered prior to July 1, 1931.

The annuity granted under paragraphs (1), (3), and (4) of this section shall not exceed three-fourths of the average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation received by the employee during any five consecutive years of allowable service at the option of the employee.

Any employee at the time of his retirement may elect to receive, in lieu of the life annuity herein described, an increased annuity of equivalent value which shall carry with it a proviso that no unexpended part of the principal upon the annuitant's death shall be returned. For the purposes of this Act all periods of service shall be computed in accordance with section 7 hereof, and the annuity shall be fixed at the nearest multiple of twelve.

The term "basic salary, pay, or compensation," wherever used in this Act, shall be so construed as to exclude from the operation of the Act all bonuses, allowances, overtime pay, or salary, pay, or compensation given in addition to the base pay of the position as fixed by law or regulation.

COMPUTATION OF ACCREDITED SERVICE

SEC. 7. Subject to the provisions of section 8 hereof, the service which shall form the basis for calculating the amount of any benefit provided in this Act shall be computed from the date of original employment, whether as a classified or an unclassified employee, in the civil service of the United States or under the municipal government of the District of Columbia, including periods of service at different times and in one or more departments, branches, or independent offices of the Government, and service on the Isthmus of Panama with the Isthmian Canal Commission, the Panama Canal, or the Panama Railroad Company; also periods of service performed overseas under authority of the United States and periods of honorable service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard of the United States. In the case of an employee, however, who is eligible for and elects to receive a pension under any law, or retired pay on account of military or naval service, or compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act, the period of his military or naval service upon which such pension, retired pay, or compensation is based shall not be included, but nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to affect in any manner his right to a pension, or to retired pay, or to compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act in addition to the annuity herein provided.

In computing length of service for the purposes of this Act all periods of separation from the service, and so much of any leaves of absence without pay as may exceed six months in the aggregate in any calendar year, shall be excluded.

In determining the total periods of service upon which the allowances are to be computed under section 6 hereof, the fractional part of a month, if any, shall be eliminated from each respective total period.

CREDIT FOR PAST SERVICE

SEC. 8. All employees coming within the provisions of this Act after the effective date thereof shall be required to deposit with the Treasurer of the United States to the credit of the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund referred to in section 9 hereof, under rules to be prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions, a sum equal to $2\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of the employee's basic salary, pay, or compensation received for services rendered after July 31, 1920, and prior to July 1, 1926, and also $3\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of the basic salary, pay, or compensation for services rendered subsequent to June 30, 1926, together with interest computed at the rate of 4 per centum per annum compounded on the last day of each fiscal year, but such interest shall not be included for any period during which the employee was separated from the service. Upon making such deposit the employee shall be entitled to credit for the period or periods of service involved: *Provided*, That no such deposit shall be required on account of services rendered for the Panama Railroad Company prior to January 1, 1924: *Provided further*, That failure to make such deposit shall not deprive the employee of credit for any past service for which no deposit is required under the provisions of this section.

DEDUCTIONS

SEC. 9. Beginning July 1, 1931, there shall be deducted and withheld from the basic salary, pay, or compensation of each employee to whom this Act applies a sum equal to 5 per centum of such employee's basic salary, pay, or compensation. The amounts so deducted and withheld from the basic salary, pay, or compensation of each employee shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States to the credit of a special fund to be known as the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund, in accordance with the procedure now or hereafter prescribed for covering into the United States Treasury the de-

ductions from salaries under the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 22, 1920, as amended, and said fund is hereby appropriated for the payment of the annuities, refunds, and allowances as provided in this Act.

The Commissioner of Pensions is hereby authorized and directed to ascertain the amount, including accrued interest, due employees of the Panama Canal coming within the purview of this Act from the civil service retirement and disability fund created by the Act of May 22, 1920, and to certify same to the Secretary of the Treasury, who is hereby authorized and directed to transfer such amount on the books of the Treasury Department to the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund.

The board of directors of the Panama Railroad Company shall cause to be transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury, for credit to the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund, the gross assets in the Panama Railroad pension fund at the close of business on June 30, 1931, applying to employees included within the provisions of this Act, subject to the assumption of the liabilities of that fund as of the close of business on June 30, 1931, by the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund.

Every employee coming within the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to consent and agree to the deductions from salary, pay, or compensation as provided herein, and payment less such deductions shall be a full and complete discharge and acquittance of all claims and demands whatsoever for all regular services rendered by such employee during the period covered by such payment, except the right to the benefits to which he shall be entitled under the provisions of this Act, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule, or regulation affecting the salary, pay, or compensation of any person or persons to whom this Act applies.

INVESTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS

SEC. 10. The Secretary of the Treasury shall invest from time to time in interest-bearing securities of the United States or in Federal farm-loan bonds such portions of the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund as in his judgment may not be immediately required for the payment of the annuities, refunds, and allowances herein authorized, and the incomes derived from such investments shall constitute a part of such fund.

RETURN OF AMOUNTS DEDUCTED FROM SALARIES

SEC. 11. (a) Under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Civil Service Commission the amounts deducted and withheld from the basic salary, pay, or compensation of each employee for credit to the civil-service retirement and disability fund or the Panama Railroad pension fund, covering service rendered prior to the effective date of this Act, shall be credited to an individual account of such employee to be maintained by the Panama Canal, and the amounts deducted and withheld from the basic salary, pay, or compensation of each employee for credit to the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund, covering service from and after the effective date of this Act, less the sum of \$1 per month or major fraction thereof, shall similarly be credited to such individual account.

(b) In the case of any employee to whom this Act applies who shall be transferred to a position not within the purview of the Act, or who shall become absolutely separated from the service before becoming eligible for retirement on annuity, the amount credited to his individual account shall be returned to such employee together with interest at 4 per centum per annum compounded on June 30 of each year: *Provided*, That when any employee becomes involuntarily separated from the service, not by removal for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency, the total amount of his deductions with interest thereon shall be paid to such employee: *And provided further*, That all moneys so returned to an employee must, upon reinstatement, retransfer, or reappointment to a position coming within the purview of this Act, be redeposited with interest before such employee may derive any benefits under this Act, except as provided in this section, but interest shall not be required covering any period of separation from the service.

(c) In case an annuitant shall die without having received in annuities purchased by the employee's contributions as provided in (2) of section 6 hereof an amount equal to the total amount to his credit at time of retirement, the amount remaining to his credit shall be paid in one sum to his legal representatives upon the establishment of a valid claim therefor, unless the annuitant

shall have elected to receive an increased annuity as provided in section 6 hereof.

(d) In case an employee shall die without having attained eligibility for retirement or without having established a valid claim for annuity, the total amount of his deductions with interest thereon shall be paid to the legal representatives of such employee.

(e) In case a former employee entitled to the return of the amount credited to his individual account shall become legally incompetent, the total amount due may be paid to a duly appointed guardian or committee of such employee.

(f) If the amount of accrued annuity or of refund due a former employee who is legally incompetent does not exceed \$1,000, and if there has been no demand upon the Commissioner of Pensions by a duly appointed executor, administrator, guardian, or committee, payment may be made, after the expiration of thirty days from date of death or of separation from the service, as the case may be, to such persons or persons as may appear in the judgment of the Commissioner of Pensions to be legally entitled thereto, and such payment shall be a bar to recovery by any other person.

PAYMENT OF ANNUITIES

SEC. 12. Annuities granted under the terms of this Act shall be due and payable in monthly installments on the first business day of the month following the month or other period for which the annuity shall have accrued; and payment of all annuities, refunds, and allowances granted hereunder shall be made by checks drawn and issued by the disbursing clerk for the payment of pensions in such form and manner and with such safeguards as shall be prescribed by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations governing accounting that may be found applicable to such payments.

Applications for annuity shall be in such form as the Commissioner of Pensions may prescribe, and shall be supported by such certificates from the heads of departments, branches, or independent offices of the Government or the Panama Railroad Company in which the applicant has been employed as may be necessary to the determination of the rights of the applicant. Upon receipt of satisfactory evidence the Commissioner of Pensions shall forthwith adjudicate the claim of the applicant, and if title to annuity be established, a proper certificate shall be issued to the annuitant under the seal of the Veterans' Administration.

Annuities granted under the provisions of sections 2 and 3 of this act shall commence from the date of separation from the service and shall continue during the life of the annuitant. Annuities granted under the provisions of sections 4 and 5 hereof shall be subject to the limitations specified in said sections.

BENEFITS EXTENDED TO THOSE ALREADY RETIRED

SEC. 13. In the case of those employees of the Panama Canal or the Panama Railroad Company who before the effective date of this Act shall have been retired on annuity under the provisions of the Act of May 22, 1920, or said Act as amended, or as extended by Executive orders, or under the provisions of the Panama Railroad pension plan, the annuity shall be computed, adjusted, and paid under the provisions of this Act, but this Act shall not be so construed as to reduce the annuity of any person retired before its effective date, nor shall any increase in annuity commence before such effective date.

All those who were separated from the service of either the Panama Canal or the Panama Railroad Company on the Isthmus of Panama, subsequent to August 1, 1920, and before the effective date of this Act, not by removal for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency, without having been granted retirement annuities due to the fact that all of their service which would be allowable under the provisions of this Act was not counted in arriving at their total service, and who are otherwise eligible by having made the necessary contributions to the retirement and disability funds as herein provided, shall, from the effective date of this Act, be paid annuities in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

BOARD OF ACTUARIES

SEC. 14. The board of actuaries selected by the Commissioner of Pensions under the provisions of section 16 of the Act of July 3, 1926, shall make a valuation of the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund at intervals of five years, or oftener, if deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Pensions.

ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 15. For the purpose of administration, except as otherwise provided herein, the Commissioner of Pensions, under the direction of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, is hereby authorized and directed to perform, or cause to be performed, any and all acts and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of carrying the provisions of this Act into full force and effect. An appeal to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs shall lie from the final action or order of the Commissioner of Pensions affecting the rights or interests of any person or of the United States under this Act, the procedure on appeal to be as prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions, with the approval of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

The Commissioner of Pensions shall make a detailed comparative report annually, showing all receipts and disbursements on account of annuities, refunds, and allowances under this Act, together with the total number of persons receiving annuities and the total amounts paid them; and he shall transmit to Congress, through the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, the reports and recommendations of the board of actuaries.

The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs shall submit annually to the Bureau of the Budget estimates of the appropriations necessary to finance the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund, and to continue this Act in full force and effect.

EXEMPTION FROM EXECUTION, AND SO FORTH

SEC. 16. None of the moneys mentioned in this Act shall be assignable, either in law or equity, or be subject to execution, levy, or attachment, garnishment, or other legal process.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SEC. 17. This Act shall take effect July 1, 1931, and from and after that date the provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 22, 1920, as amended, shall not apply to employees of the Panama Canal on the Isthmus of Panama or to any other employees coming within the provisions of this Act: *Provided, however,* That any employee of the Panama Canal who shall attain the age of eligibility for retirement without having rendered sufficient service on the Isthmus of Panama to entitle him to be retired on an annuity as provided by section 2 hereof, but whose aggregate employment under the United States would be sufficient in character and duration to entitle him to receive an annuity under the provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 22, 1920, as amended, will be eligible to retire and receive an annuity under the provisions of that Act and payable from the civil service retirement and disability fund; and in such event the employee shall be entitled, upon separation from the service, to the refund, under such regulations as the Commissioner of Pensions may prescribe, of any excess in the deductions made from his salary, pay, or compensation under the provisions of this Act, with interest, over those which would have been made at the rate fixed by the Civil Service Retirement Act as amended; and the Commissioner of Pensions shall certify to the Secretary of the Treasury the amount remaining to the credit of such employee in the Canal Zone retirement and disability fund, and said amount shall be transferred on the books of the Treasury Department to the civil service retirement and disability fund.

Approved, March 2, 1931.

[Extract from Public, No. 869, 71st Congress]

[H. R. 17163]

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Administration, Medical, Hospital, and Domiciliary Service, Veterans' Administration: For an additional amount for temporary salaries and expenses of the Veterans' Administration, fiscal year 1932, to be immediately available, including the same objects specified under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1932, \$2,000,000, of which such amounts as may be necessary may be transferred to the printing and binding appropriation of the

Veterans' Administration for the fiscal years 1931 and 1932 to meet the cost of printing blank forms incident to the making of loans on adjusted service certificates under the Act of February 27, 1931.

Salaries and expenses, Veterans' Bureau: For an additional amount for salaries and expenses, including the same objects specified under this head in the Act making appropriation for the Veterans' Bureau for the fiscal year 1931, \$615,300.

Printing and binding, Veterans' Bureau: For an additional amount for printing and binding, including the same objects specified under this head in the Acts making appropriations for the Veterans' Bureau for the following fiscal years:

For 1929, \$37.72;

For 1930, \$30,000.

Military and naval compensation, Veterans' Bureau: For an additional amount for the payment of military and naval compensation accruing during the fiscal year 1931 or in prior fiscal years, and so forth, including the same objects specified under this head in the Act making appropriations for the Veterans' Bureau for the fiscal year 1931, \$18,150,000.

Medical and hospital services, Veterans' Bureau: For an additional amount for medical, surgical, dental, dispensary, and hospital services and facilities, accruing during the fiscal year 1931 or in prior fiscal years, and so forth, including the same objects as specified under this head in the Act making appropriations for the Veterans' Bureau for the fiscal year 1931, \$4,000,000.

Adjusted-service certificate fund: The amount appropriated by the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1932, under the heading "Adjusted-service certificate fund" shall be available on the date of the approval of this Act.

Salaries, Bureau of Pensions: Not to exceed \$11,080 of the appropriation of \$100,000 in the Second Deficiency Act, fiscal year 1930, specifically for the payment of salaries of temporary employees, is hereby made available for the general purposes covered by the appropriation for "Salaries, Bureau of Pensions, 1931."

Salaries and expenses, Employees' Retirement Act, Bureau of Pensions: For an additional amount for salaries and expenses, Employees' Retirement Act, including the same objects specified under this head in the Act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year 1930, \$729.50.

Approved, March 4, 1931.

[PUBLIC—No. 868—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. R. 16982]

An Act To authorize an appropriation to provide additional hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities for persons entitled to hospitalization under the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to provide sufficient hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities to care for the increasing load of disabled veterans of all wars and to enable the Veterans' Administration to care for its beneficiaries in Veterans' Administration institutions, rather than in contract temporary facilities and other institutions, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, subject to the approval of the President, is hereby authorized to provide additional hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities for persons entitled to hospitalization or domiciliary care under the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, or the various laws pertaining to the Bureau of National Homes, formerly the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, by purchase, replacement, and remodeling or extension of existing plants, and by construction on sites now owned by the Government or on sites to be acquired by purchase, condemnation, gift, or otherwise of such hospitals, domiciliary and out-patient dispensary facilities to include the necessary buildings and auxiliary structures, mechanical equipment, approach work, roads, and trackage facilities leading thereto, sidewalks abutting hospital reservations, vehicles, livestock, furniture, equipment, and accessories; and also to provide accommodations for officers, nurses, and attending personnel; and also to provide proper and suitable recreational centers; and the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized to

accept gifts or donations for any of the purposes named herein. Such hospital and domiciliary plants to be constructed shall be of fireproof construction, and existing plants purchased shall be remodeled to be fireproof, and the location and nature thereof, whether for domiciliary care or the treatment of tuberculosis, neuropsychiatric, or general medical and surgical cases, shall be in the discretion of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, subject to the approval of the President.

SEC. 2. The construction of new hospitals, domiciliary facilities, or dispensaries, or the replacement, extension, alteration, remodeling, or repair of all hospitals, domiciliary facilities, or dispensaries heretofore or hereafter constructed shall be done in such manner as the President may determine, and he is authorized to require the architectural, engineering, constructing, or other forces of any of the departments of the Government to do or assist in such work, and to employ individuals and agencies not now connected with the Government, if in his opinion desirable, at such compensation as he may consider reasonable.

SEC. 3. For carrying into effect the preceding sections relating to additional hospitals and domiciliary and out-patient dispensary facilities there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$20,877,000 to be immediately available and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That not to exceed 3 per centum of this sum shall be available for the employment in the District of Columbia and in the field of necessary technical and clerical assistants at the customary rates of compensation, exclusively to aid in the preparation of the plans and specifications for the projects authorized herein and for the supervision of the execution thereof, and for traveling expenses, field office equipment, and supplies in connection therewith.

SEC. 4. The President is further authorized to accept from any State or other political subdivision, or from any corporation, association, individual or individuals, any building, structure, equipment, or grounds suitable for the care of the disabled, with due regard to fire or other hazards, state of repair, and all other pertinent considerations, and to designate what department, bureau, board, commission, or other governmental agency shall have the control and management thereof.

SEC. 5. The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, with the approval of the President, is further authorized to use all or any part of the money authorized to be appropriated by the provisions of the Act approved May 16, 1930 (Public, Numbered 230, Seventy-first Congress), the Act approved June 21, 1930 (Public, Numbered 405, Seventy-first Congress), and the Act approved July 1, 1930 (Public, Numbered 492, Seventy-first Congress), for extending the facilities at the national homes designated therein or at any other national home or hospital under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration, or for any of the purposes set forth in section 1 of this Act.

SEC. 6. Subject to existing leases, easements, and rights of way, title to military reservation described in "Temporary transfer of hospital property, Army General Hospital Numbered 20, Whipple Barracks, Arizona," dated February 15, 1930, is hereby permanently transferred from the War Department to the Veterans' Administration.

Approved, March 4, 1931.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 138—71ST CONGRESS]

[H. J. Res. 534]

Joint Resolution To provide an additional appropriation for hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities for the Veterans' Administration

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of \$5,000,000 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize an appropriation to provide additional hospital, domiciliary, and out-patient dispensary facilities for persons entitled to hospitalization under the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, and for other purposes," approved March 4, 1931.

Approved, March 4, 1931.

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