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CHAPTER 548

AN ACT to create 20.005 (1) (b) (line 190b), 20.038 and 45.045 of the statutes, relating to the 32nd infantry division history commission and making an appropriation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.005 (1) (b) (line 190b) of the statutes is created to read:

20.005 (1) (b) 1955-56
190b. History commission, 32nd infantry division -- 20.038 (1) C 20,000

SECTION 2. 20.038 of the statutes is created to read :

20.038 32ND INFANTRY DIVISION HISTORY COMMISSION.
There is appropriated from the general fund to the 32nd infantry division history commission :

(1) On July 1, 1955, \$20,000, as a nonlapsible appropriation, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of s. 45.045. Expenditures from this appropriation shall be upon certification of the chairman or secretary of the commission.

(2) All moneys received from the sale of histories under s. 45.045 for the printing of additional copies of the history.

SECTION 3. 45.045 of the statutes is created to read:

45.045 32ND INFANTRY DIVISION HISTORY COMMISSION. (1) The governor or his representative, the director of the state historical society, the director of purchases and 3 members or former members of the 32nd division who served with it in World War I or World War II, to be appointed by the governor and are hereby constituted a commission to be known as the "32nd Infantry Division History Commission."

(2) The commission shall be empowered to organize by the appointment of a chairman from its own membership and the adoption of rules of procedure, also to employ a secretary and such assistants at salaries to be fixed by the commission as may be deemed necessary to best promote the accomplishment of the work entrusted to it. Members of the commission shall receive no salary but shall be entitled to pay for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their official duties.

(3) The commission shall procure all the rights to the manuscript of the history of the 32nd infantry division in World War II written by Major General H. W. Blakely, and other material and compile the same, and deliver the compilation to the director of purchases who shall procure the printing thereof and distribute and sell the same. The initial printing shall consist of the greatest number which the amount available from the initial appropriation of s. 20.038 will purchase.

(4) Veterans of the 32nd division may purchase the history from the director of purchases at a price per volume to be fixed by the commission and receipts from the sale of the history shall be deposited within one week of receipt in the general fund. The director shall upon application distribute the history without charge to the next of kin of Wisconsin members of said division in World War II who were killed in action or died from wounds. The director shall also supply a sufficient number of the histories to the adjutant general for distribution to the national guard armories and the veterans hospitals in this state. Not to exceed 1,000 volumes shall be available for free distribution. The history shall be available to the general public, the director to charge therefor the price fixed by the commission. Should the demand indicate that additional copies should be printed the director shall procure the printing of such number of additional copies as he deems necessary to supply the demand.

Approved August 4, 1955.
