cal society and for such committees of public defense and welfare as may be created by the State or as may be approved by the board of control hereinafter provided for. Such memorial halls shall also provide room for the display and preservation of relics and trophies of all wars in which the United States has been or may be engaged, photographs, paintings, and portraits, busts, and statues of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of the said counties, and mural tablets, upon which shall be inscribed the names of such soldiers, sailors, and marines. Such memorial halls shall also contain waiting and rest rooms with layatories attached.

Board of Control.

Section 6. A board of control is hereby created, which shall have charge of all matters relating to such memorial hall, and shall have the care thereof. The board shall be composed of three members chosen by members of the Grand Army of the Republic, three members chosen by members of camps of Spanish-American War Veterans, three members to be chosen by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, three members to be chosen by Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, and three members to be chosen by members of the American Legion. The judges of the court of common pleas and the county commissioners shall be ex officio members of the board of control. The selected members of the board shall serve one year, when their successors shall be selected. Vacancies occurring shall be filled by the board for the unexpired term.

Approved—The 12th day of August, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

## No. 237

## AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing appropriations to posts of the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, to help defray the costs of Memorial Day and Armistice Day, and authorizing such organizations to collect, prepare and file data concerning burial places of military, naval and other combat personnel with the county commissioners.

The County Code.

Section 1921, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 1921, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended to read:

Appropriations to Veterans' Organiza-Section 1921. tions for Expenses of Memorial Day.—(a) The board of commissioners may appropriate, annually, to each camp of the United Spanish War Veterans, and to each post of the American Legion, and to each post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and to each post of the American War Veterans of World War II (AMVETS), and to each post of the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, and to each detachment of the Marine Corps League, and to each Naval Association, and to each post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to each post of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, and to each organization of ex-service men incorporated under the act of April twenty-nine, one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws 73), and the supplements thereto, in the county, a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300), to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day and Armistice Day.

- (b) Where the Grand Army of the Republic has ceased to exist or to function such appropriation may be made to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War or, in the absence of such order, to a duly constituted organization which conducts the decorating of graves of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
- (c) Such payments shall be made to defray actual expenses only. Before any payment is made, the organization receiving the same shall submit verified accounts of their expenditures.

Section 2. Subsection (e) of section 1923 of the act needed January 31, 1956 (P. L. 975), is amended to of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended January 31, 1956. P. L. 321, amended January 31, 1956. P. L. amended January 31, 1956 (P. L. 975), is amended to read:

Section 1923. Compilation of War Records; Director of Veterans' Affairs. - \*

(e) For the purpose of locating the burial places of persons who have served in the military or naval service or other branches of the combative forces of the United States during any war or armed conflict in which the United States was engaged, the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the American Legion, the Disabled American Veterans, the American Veterans of World War II (AMVETS), [and] the Marine Corps League, and the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, through their local camps, posts and branches in this Commonwealth, are authorized, without expense to the county, to collect the required data and prepare and file

31, 1956, P. 975, further amended.

with the county commissioners certificates embodying the information provided for in this section.

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APPROVED—The 12th day of August, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

## No. 238

## AN ACT

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second class; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing appropriations to posts of the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, to help defray the costs of Memorial Day and Armistice Day and authorizing such organizations to collect, prepare and file data concerning burial places of military, naval and other combat personnel with the county commissioners.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 2121, act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," is amended to read:

Section 2121. Appropriations to Veterans' Organizations for Expenses of Memorial Day.—(a) The board of commissioners may appropriate, annually, to each camp of the United Spanish War Veterans, and to each post of the American Legion, and to each post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and to each post of the American War Veterans of World War II (AMVETS), and to each detachment of the Marine Corps League, and to each Naval Association, and to each post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to each post of the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, and to each post of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, and to each organization of ex-service men incorporated under the act of April twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws 73), and the supplements thereto, in the county, a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300), to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day and Armistice Day.

(b) Where the Grand Army of the Republic has ceased to exist or to function, such appropriation may be made to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War or, in the absence of such order, to a duly constituted organization which conducts the decorating of graves of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Second Class County Code.

Section 2121, act of July 28, 1953, P. L. 723, amended.