

ment of educational work, and to permit curators to visit other museums. Grants will be restricted to museums that have qualified curators and assurance of active support by governmental or other authorities concerned. The Carnegie Corporation of New York has made available \$54,000 for these grants, and an additional \$200,000 for grants in Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIGRATORY-BIRD REFUGES

ONE million dollars of Emergency Conservation Work funds were allocated for migratory-bird restoration purposes by President Roosevelt on April 19. Executive Order No. 6684 authorizes the purchase and rental of lands as refuges for migratory birds and other forms of wild life that constitute a diminishing natural resource. Acquisition and proper development of the refuge lands will provide protection not only for the depleted wild-life resources but for the lands themselves. The work incident to acquisition and improvement will also provide employment on useful public work.

This use of ECW funds, while not governed or limited by the Migratory Bird Conservation Act of 1929, will further the purpose of that act, which is to establish bird refuges. That act authorized appropriations for land acquisition, but Congress has not yet made the funds fully available.

The President's order was issued under the provisions of the Unemployment Relief Act, the purpose of which, as stated in Section 1, are: (1) To relieve unemployment; (2) to provide for the restoration of the country's depleted natural resources, and (3) to provide for the advancement of an orderly program of useful public works. Section 2 of the act authorizes acquisitions of land for these purposes.

Following is the text of the order:

WHEREAS, It is necessary to purchase or rent various lands in order to provide suitable refuges for, and to protect and conserve, migratory birds and other wild life constituting depleted natural resources of the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The work and improvements necessary to be performed and made upon such lands to make them suitable and proper refuges for migratory birds and other wild life will provide protection for such lands from forest fires, floods and soil erosion, and plant pest and disease, and aid in the restoration of the country's depleted natural resources; and,

WHEREAS, The purchase of such lands will provide employment for citizens of the United States who are unemployed; now,

Therefore, By virtue of and pursuant to the authority vested in me by the act of Congress entitled "An act for the relief of unemployment through the performance of useful public work, and for other purposes," ap-

proved March 31, 1933 (48 Stat. 22), the purchase or rental of such lands as are suitable for the aforesaid purposes is hereby authorized; and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Fourth Deficiency Act, fiscal year 1933, approved June 16, 1933 (48 Stat. 274), the sum of \$1,000,000 is hereby allocated for the purchase or rental of such lands (including the costs incident to purchase or rental) from the appropriation made by the said deficiency act for carrying into effect the provisions of the said act of March 31, 1933.

The sum herein allocated shall be transferred by the Treasury Department to the credit of the War Department for the purchase or rental of such lands (including the costs incident to purchase or rental) and shall, upon request of the Chief of Finance, under direction of the Director of Emergency Conservation Work, be transferred by the Treasury to the credit of the Department of Agriculture, and the funds so transferred shall be withdrawn on requisition by the Secretary of Agriculture.

THE UNITED STATES BOTANIC GARDEN

A JOINT resolution authorizing the appointment of a Planning Committee in connection with the United States Botanic Garden and for other purposes was introduced in the House of Representatives on April 19 by Representative Keller. It was referred to the Committee on the Library and ordered to be printed. The resolution follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a committee be, and is hereby, appointed, which is to be known as the "Planning Committee for the United States Botanic Garden," consisting of the following members:

Honorable Frederic A. Delano (chairman National Capital Park and Planning Commission), chairman; Senator Alben W. Barkley (chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library), vice-chairman; Representative Kent E. Keller (chairman of the House Committee on the Library), second vice-chairman; Senator Peter Norbeck (member of Committee on Agriculture and Forestry); Representative Robert Luce (former chairman of the House Committee on the Library); Frederick V. Coville (acting director of the National Arboretum); B. Y. Morrison (head of Division of Foreign Plant Introduction, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture); William R. Maxon (associate curator, Division of Plants, Smithsonian Institution); C. Stuart Gager (director of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden); Leicester B. Holland (chief, Division of Fine Arts, Library of Congress); Oakes Ames (director of the Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University); George T. Moore (director of the Missouri Botanical Gardens); L. H. Bailey (professor of horticulture, Cornell University); H. H. Bartlett (director of Botanical Garden and Arboretum, University of Michigan); Rodney H. True (director of the Morris Arboretum, University of Pennsylvania); Mrs. Frank B. Noyes (special representative of the Garden Club of America); Mrs. Fairfax Harrison (rep-