
Poet, hereby authorized to be appropriated, from the funds of the United States in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the payment of such expenses as shall be necessarily incurred, including the salaries of additional employees in the administration of this Act.

Approved, June 4, 1924.

CHAP. 254.—An Act Granting certain public lands to the city of Shreveport, Louisiana, for reservoir purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to issue patent or patents to the city of Shreveport, Louisiana, for use in the establishment of a reservoir for the water supply of said city, for all those tracts of land within what is known as the Cross Lake area, in townships 17 and 18 north, range 15 west, Louisiana meridian, which may be found by the Secretary of the Interior to have been islands in said Cross Lake at the date the State of Louisiana was admitted to the Union, and to which tracts no legal claims have been initiated and duly maintained under the provisions of the public land laws, and shall be timely asserted as provided herein: Provided, That the said city of Shreveport shall pay for said lands at the rate of $1.25 per acre, and shall tender its application for patent, accompanied by the purchase price of the land, within six months after the approval of this Act, or within a similar period after the acceptance of the official plat or plats or survey if accepted after the date of this Act: Provided further, That there shall be reserved to the United States all gas, oil, coal, or other mineral deposits found at any time in the said lands and the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same. Upon filing its application by the city, notice thereof shall be published at least once each week for thirty days in some newspaper in general circulation in the parish in which the land is situated.

Sec. 2. That no claim alleged to have been initiated and maintained under the public land laws adverse to the disposition of said lands as provided for by this Act shall be recognized, notice being given as hereinbefore provided, unless regularly presented to the Secretary of the Interior within a period allowed the city of Shreveport to file its application for patent, and no tract to which an adverse claim is asserted shall be patented to the city unless and until such claim is finally rejected by the Secretary of the Interior.

Sec. 3. That the lands hereby granted shall be used by the city of Shreveport, Louisiana, only for the purpose expressed in the grant, and if said land, or any part thereof, shall be abandoned for such use it shall revert to the United States; and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and empowered to determine the facts and declare such forfeiture and restore said land to the public domain, and such order of the Secretary shall be final and conclusive.

Approved, June 4, 1924.

CHAP. 255.—An Act Authorizing the sale of real property no longer required for military purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary
of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell or cause to be sold, either in whole or in two or more parts as he may deem best for the interests of the United States, the several tracts or parcels of real property hereinafter designated, or any interest therein or appurtenant thereto, which said tracts or parcels are no longer needed for military purposes, and to execute and deliver in the name of the United States and in its behalf any and all contracts, conveyances, or other instruments necessary to effectuate such sale.

FIRST CORPS AREA

Maine: Narrows Island Reservation, Boothbay, Lincoln County. Massachusetts: Fort Phoenix, near Fair Haven, Bristol County; Springfield Armory, two small tracts. Rhode Island: Fort Greene, Newport.

SECOND CORPS AREA

New York: Fort Montgomery, Rouses Point, Clinton County; Sag Harbor Reservation, Sag Harbor, Long Island, Suffolk County.

FOURTH CORPS AREA

North Carolina: Fort Caswell Military Reservation, near Southport, on the Atlantic coast; less fifty-seven acres, more or less, required by the Treasury Department for Coast Guard purposes. South Carolina: Bay Point Reservation on Phillips Island, Beaufort County; Hilton Head Reservation at south entrance to Port Royal Sound, Beaufort County. Florida: Gasparilla Military Reservation, entrance to Charlotte Bay. Provided, That the appraisal and sale of this reservation shall cover only the right, title, and interest of the United States in the lands and public improvements thereon, without in any way altering or modifying any rights heretofore created therein. Alabama: Fort Gaines, on east end of Dauphin Island, Mobile County. Tennessee: Park Field, Millington. That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to convey by appropriate quitclaim deed to nine trustees and their successors to be selected by the Chamber of Commerce of Columbia, South Carolina, and known as "Trustees of Columbia Cantonment Lands," approximately one thousand one hundred and ninety-two acres of land within the United States Military Reservation at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, to wit:

The following two tracts of land:

Tract numbered 1: Beginning at a stone corner of the Powell, Hampton and United States Government lands, thence along the Hampton lands, north sixty-one degrees forty-five minutes west three thousand and twenty-four feet to a stone; thence north forty-seven degrees five minutes west one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six feet to a stone; thence north sixty-one degrees forty minutes west seven hundred and forty feet to a stone; thence north twenty-seven degrees twenty minutes east across Government lands two thousand feet to a stone; thence north eighty-seven degrees forty minutes west three hundred and eighty-five feet to a stone; near southeast corner of Camp Jackson incinerator; thence north six degrees twenty minutes east nine hundred and seventy-five and five-tenths feet to a stone; thence north forty-two degrees twenty minutes east eight hundred and fifteen feet to a stone; thence north eighty-two degrees twenty minutes east eight hundred and twenty-eight feet to a
Tract No. 1

Beginning at a stone on the eastern side of the Camden public road near the six-mile post; thence along Camden public road south eighty-nine degrees forty-five minutes west eight hundred feet to a stone; thence along the Camden public road south eighty-seven degrees thirty-five minutes west one thousand one hundred and five feet to a stone; thence north eighty-five degrees forty-five minutes west one thousand two hundred and forty feet to a stone; thence south sixty-three degrees five minutes east one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four feet to a stone six feet from paved road; thence in an easterly and northerly direction nine hundred and twenty-two feet along paved road to a stone six feet from paving; thence south eighty-two degrees twenty minutes east one thousand and fifty feet to a stone; thence north seventy-three degrees fifty minutes east one thousand three hundred and twenty-five feet to a stone; thence north eight degrees twenty minutes east two hundred and seventy feet to a stone; thence south eighty-six degrees east four hundred and eight hundred feet to a stone; thence south seventy degrees fifteen minutes west one thousand two hundred and sixty-five feet to a stone; thence south sixty-eight degrees twenty-five minutes west eight hundred and ninety stones; thence north sixty-one degrees thirty-five minutes east one thousand four hundred and thirty feet to a stone at intersection of old roads; thence south seventy-two degrees forty minutes east one thousand three hundred and fifty-five feet to a stone; thence south twenty-seven degrees fifty minutes west two thousand six hundred and fifty-four feet to a stone; corner of Powell’s lands, thence along Powell lands south seventy-nine degrees thirty-five minutes west one thousand two hundred and ninety feet to a stone; thence south eleven degrees forty minutes west four thousand one hundred and two feet to a stone, point of beginning, containing in all seven hundred and five and twelve one-hundredths acres.

Tract numbered 2: Beginning at a stone on the eastern side of the Camden public road near the six-mile post; thence along Camden public road south eighty-nine degrees forty-five minutes west eight hundred feet to a stone; thence along the Camden public road south eighty-seven degrees thirty-five minutes west one thousand one hundred and five feet to a stone; thence north eighty-five degrees forty-five minutes west one thousand two hundred and forty feet to a stone; thence south sixty-three degrees five minutes east one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four feet to a stone; thence in an easterly and northerly direction nine hundred and twenty-two feet along paved road to a stone six feet from paving; thence south eighty-two degrees twenty minutes east one thousand and fifty feet to a stone; thence north seventy-three degrees fifty minutes east one thousand three hundred and twenty-five feet to a stone; thence north eight degrees twenty minutes east two hundred and seventy feet to a stone; thence south eighty-six degrees east four hundred and eight hundred feet to a stone; thence south seventy degrees fifteen minutes west one thousand two hundred and sixty-five feet to a stone; thence south sixty-eight degrees twenty-five minutes west eight hundred and ninety stones; thence north sixty-one degrees thirty-five minutes east one thousand four hundred and thirty feet to a stone at intersection of old roads; thence south seventy-two degrees forty minutes east one thousand three hundred and fifty-five feet to a stone; thence south twenty-seven degrees fifty minutes west two thousand six hundred and fifty-four feet to a stone; corner of Powell’s lands, thence along Powell lands south seventy-nine degrees thirty-five minutes west one thousand two hundred and ninety feet to a stone; thence south eleven degrees forty minutes west four thousand one hundred and two feet to a stone, point of beginning, containing in all seven hundred and five and twelve one-hundredths acres.

Tract No. 2

Beginning at a stone on the eastern side of the Camden public road near the six-mile post; thence along Camden public road south eighty-nine degrees forty-five minutes west eight hundred feet to a stone; thence along the Camden public road south eighty-seven degrees thirty-five minutes west one thousand one hundred and five feet to a stone; thence north eighty-five degrees forty-five minutes west one thousand two hundred and forty feet to a stone; thence south sixty-three degrees five minutes east one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four feet to a stone; thence in an easterly and northerly direction nine hundred and twenty-two feet along paved road to a stone six feet from paving; thence south eighty-two degrees twenty minutes east one thousand and fifty feet to a stone; thence north seventy-three degrees fifty minutes east one thousand three hundred and twenty-five feet to a stone; thence north eight degrees twenty minutes east two hundred and seventy feet to a stone; thence south eighty-six degrees east four hundred and eight hundred feet to a stone; thence south seventy degrees fifteen minutes west one thousand two hundred and sixty-five feet to a stone; thence south sixty-eight degrees twenty-five minutes west eight hundred and ninety stones; thence north sixty-one degrees thirty-five minutes east one thousand four hundred and thirty feet to a stone at intersection of old roads; thence south seventy-two degrees forty minutes east one thousand three hundred and fifty-five feet to a stone; thence south twenty-seven degrees fifty minutes west two thousand six hundred and fifty-four feet to a stone; corner of Powell’s lands, thence along Powell lands south seventy-nine degrees thirty-five minutes west one thousand two hundred and ninety feet to a stone; thence south eleven degrees forty minutes west four thousand one hundred and two feet to a stone, point of beginning, containing in all seven hundred and five and twelve one-hundredths acres.
feet to a stone near branch; thence north eighty-nine degrees twenty
minutes west one hundred and sixty-six feet to a stone, the point of
beginning, containing in all four hundred and eighty-six and eighty-
eight one hundredths acres; the land so conveyed being approxi-
mately equal in area to the lands donated to the United States by
the said chamber of commerce as a part of the site on the said reser-
vation by deeds executed by J. Erwin Belser, trustee, dated July 20,
1917, and November 16, 1917: Provided, That prior to such con-
veyance by the Secretary of War there shall be conveyed to the
United States by appropriate deed all the rights of way and other
rights reserved in the aforementioned deeds of donation to the
United States to the extent that the Secretary of War may require.

That the Secretary of War is hereby further authorized, in his
discretion, to grant by revocable license to the said trustees, their
successors or assigns, subject to such conditions and restrictions as
he may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States
and to such regulations as he may from time to time prescribe, the
right to use, in common with the United States, the existing road-
ways and railway lines of the United States, steam or electric, now
located upon and extending over and across the reservation, and also
the right to occupy and use such other lands within the said reserva-
ation as he may designate for the construction and operation thereon
of steam or electric railway lines to extend to the lands to be con-
veyed to the said trustees as hereinabove described, the United States
to have the right to use without charge any railway lines or tracks
so constructed on the reservation: Provided, That the said existing
roadways and railway lines on the reservation so occupied and used
and the railway lines so constructed and operated thereon shall be
maintained and kept in a good state of repair, to the satisfaction of
the Secretary of War, at the sole expense of the said trustees, their
successors or assigns.

That the said trustees shall hold, use, manage, lease, sell, and
convey, or otherwise dispose of said lands, or any portion thereof,
and of the proceeds and revenues of the same, for one or more of the
following purposes as they may deem best, to wit: Agricultural, in-
dustrial, charitable, and educational purposes: Provided, however,
That no sale or conveyance shall be made by the said trustees of the
lands conveyed by the Secretary of War under this Act until the
Secretary of War shall have given his consent in each instance to
such sale or conveyance.

That a majority of the said trustees shall constitute a quorum
competent to transact business, and that the said trustees shall make
such by-laws, rules, and regulations for their own government and
for the management and control of the said property and the pro-
cceeds thereof as they may deem necessary and proper, and that in the
event of any vacancy occurring among the said trustees by death,
resignation, removal of residence from Richland County, South
Carolina, or other cause, such vacancy shall be filled from residents
of Richland County by selection by a majority of the remaining
trustees, such selection to be approved by the Chamber of Com-
merce of the city of Columbia, South Carolina, or its successors;
and if there be no successors, then such selection shall be approved
by a majority vote of a committee composed of the president of the
University of South Carolina, the mayor of the city of Columbia,
the senator in the General Assembly of South Carolina from Rich-
land County, the probate judge of Richland County, and the resident
judge of the judicial circuit of South Carolina embracing Richland
County, or their respective successors.

That there is hereby granted to the State of North Carolina,
without cost to the State, for public uses, all lands belonging to Fort

Fort Macon Military Reservation.
Macon Military Reservation, and now the property of the United States, together with all the improvements thereon, and that the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to convey to the said State all right, title, and interest of the United States in said lands and improvements, to be held and used by said State for public purposes: Provided, That the following described land is reserved and granted to the Treasury Department for Coast Guard purposes: Beginning at a concrete monument at the southwest corner of the present Coast Guard property; thence north two hundred and ninety-nine and five-tenths feet to a concrete monument at the northwest corner of the present Coast Guard property; thence north nine degrees fifty-eight minutes west one thousand three hundred and twenty feet, more or less, to Bogue Sound; thence eastwardly about six hundred feet along Bogue Sound; thence south one thousand three hundred and forty feet, more or less, to a concrete monument at the northeast corner of the present Coast Guard property which said monument bears north one hundred and thirty-four feet from the center of the top of curb of the old hospital well, also it bears north eighty-four degrees twenty-two minutes thirty seconds west one hundred and forty-five feet from the old gun pivot at the northwest corner of the outside wall of old Fort Macon; thence south two hundred and ninety-nine and five-tenths feet to a concrete monument at the southeast corner of the present Coast Guard property; thence south one thousand four hundred feet, more or less, to the Atlantic Ocean; thence westwardly about two hundred feet along said Atlantic Ocean; thence north one thousand four hundred feet, more or less, to the south line of the present Coast Guard property; thence west one hundred and forty-seven and five-tenths feet to the place of beginning, containing twenty-two and six-tenths acres, more or less: Provided further, That the Government at all times has the right and privilege of preserving, erecting, and maintaining on said reservation such buildings as Coast Guard stations, signal stations for pilots, lighthouses, and so forth, as may be incident to the purposes of the Treasury, War, Navy, and Commerce Departments.

SEVENTH CORPS AREA

Arkansas: Camp Pike Booster Pumping Station, near Little Rock.

SEC. 2. In the disposal of the aforesaid properties the Secretary of War shall in each and every case cause the same to be appraised, either as a whole or in two or more parts, by an appraiser or appraisers to be chosen by him for each tract, and in the making of such appraisal due regard shall be given to the value of any improvements thereon and to the historic interest of any part of said land.

SEC. 3. After such appraisal shall have been made and approved by the Secretary of War, notification of the fact of such appraisal shall be given by the Secretary of War to the governor of the State in which each such tract of land is located, and such State, or the county, or municipality in which such land is located shall in the order named have the option at any time within six months after the approval of such appraisal to acquire the same, or any part thereof which shall have been separately appraised, upon payment within said period of six months of the appraisal value: Provided, however, That the conveyance of said tract of land to such State, county, or municipality shall be upon the condition and limitation that said property shall be limited to use for public park purposes and upon cessation of such use shall revert to the United States without notice, demand, or action brought.
SEC. 4. Six months after the date of approval of said appraisal, if the option given in section 3 hereof shall not have been completely exercised, the Secretary of War shall sell, or cause to be sold, each of said properties at public sale, at not less than the appraised value, after advertisement in such manner as may be directed by the Secretary: Provided, That no auctioneer or person acting in said capacity shall be paid a fee for the sale of said properties in excess of the sum of $100 a day.

SEC. 5. A full report of transfers and sales made under the provisions of this Act shall be submitted to Congress by the Secretary of War.

SEC. 6. The expense of appraisal, survey, advertising, and sale shall in each case be paid from the proceeds of the sale, whether made in accordance with section 3 or section 4 of this Act, and the net proceeds thereof shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of “Miscellaneous receipts.”

SEC. 7. The authority granted by this Act shall not repeal any prior legislative authority granted to the Secretary of War to sell or otherwise dispose of lands or property of the United States.

EIGHTH CORPS AREA

SEC. 8. That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to reconvey to Elizabeth Moore, guardian of G. Bedell Moore, a minor, her successors, or her said ward, or her lawful or legal representatives or assigns, the camp site of Camp Robert E. L. Michie, containing four hundred acres, more or less, as described in the deed of conveyance to the United States dated April 26, 1919, in consideration of the payment by Elizabeth Moore, guardian of the estate of G. Bedell Moore, a minor, her successors, or her said ward, or his lawful heirs or legal representatives or assigns, to the Chamber of Commerce of Del Rio, of the county of Val Verde, and State of Texas, of the sum of $8,000, to be distributed by said chamber of commerce to the original donors.

SEC. 9. That the Secretary of War be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to convey, by quitclaim deed, to the city of Gloucester, in the State of Massachusetts, all the proprietary right, title, and interest of the United States to and in that certain tract of land now known as Old Fort Defiance, which was ceded by gift to the United States Government by vote of a town meeting in Gloucester in 1794 for the purpose of erecting a fortification, and which is now no longer needed for such purpose.

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