

Done at the City of Washington, this Eighteenth day of July, A. D. one thousand nine hundred, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-fifth.

[SEAL]

WILLIAM MCKINLEY

By the President:

JOHN HAY

Secretary of State.

[No. 17.]

THE CROW CREEK FOREST RESERVE.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

October 10, 1900.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, it is provided by section twenty-four of the Act of Congress, approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled, "An act to repeal timber-culture laws, and for other purposes", "That the President of the United States may, from time to time, set apart and reserve, in any State or Territory having public land bearing forests, in any part of the public lands wholly or in part covered with timber or undergrowth, whether of commercial value or not, as public reservations, and the President shall, by public proclamation, declare the establishment of such reservations and the limits thereof";

Preamble.
Vol. 26, p. 1103.

And whereas, the public lands in the State of Wyoming, within the limits hereinafter described, are in part covered with timber, and it appears that the public good would be promoted by setting apart and reserving said lands as a public reservation;

Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, President of the United States, by virtue of the power in me vested by section twenty-four of the aforesaid Act of Congress, do hereby make known and proclaim that there is hereby reserved from entry or settlement and set apart as a Public Reservation all those certain tracts, pieces or parcels of land lying and being situate in the State of Wyoming and particularly described as follows, to wit:

Forest Reservation
(Crow Creek), Wyoming.

Beginning at the north-east corner of Township fifteen (15) North, Range seventy-one (71) West, Sixth (6th) Principal Meridian, Wyoming; thence westerly along the township line to the north-west corner of Section three (3), Township fifteen (15) North, Range seventy-two (72) West; thence southerly to the south-west corner of Section thirty-four (34), said township; thence easterly to the south-east corner of said section; thence southerly to the south-west corner of Section eleven (11), Township fourteen (14) North, Range seventy-two (72) West; thence easterly to the south-east corner of Section twelve (12), said township; thence southerly to the south-west corner of Section thirty (30), Township fourteen (14) North, Range seventy-one (71) West; thence easterly to the south-east corner of Section twenty-five (25), said township; thence northerly along the range line to the north-east corner of Township fifteen (15) North, Range seventy-one (71) West, the place of beginning.

Boundaries.

Excepting from the force and effect of this proclamation all lands which may have been, prior to the date hereof, embraced in any legal entry or covered by any lawful filing duly of record in the proper United States Land office, or upon which any valid settlement has been made pursuant to law, and the statutory period within which to make entry or filing of record has not expired: *Provided*, that this exception shall not continue to apply to any particular tract of land unless the entryman, settler or claimant continues to comply with the law under which the entry, filing or settlement was made.

Prior valid entries
excepted.

Provided,
—qualification.

Reserved from settlement.

Name of reservation.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all persons not to make settlement upon the tract of land reserved by this proclamation.

The reservation hereby established shall be known as The Crow Creek Forest Reserve.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 10th day of Oct., in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-fifth.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY

By the President:

JOHN HAY

Secretary of State.

[No. 18.]

October 22, 1900.

A PROCLAMATION.

To the People of the United States:

Death of John Sherman.

In the fullness of years and honors, John Sherman, lately Secretary of State, has passed away.

Few among our citizens have risen to greater or more deserved eminence in the national councils than he. The story of his public life and services is as it were the history of the country for half a century. In the Congress of the United States he ranked among the foremost in the House, and later in the Senate. He was twice a member of the Executive Cabinet, first as Secretary of the Treasury, and afterwards as Secretary of State. Whether in debate during the dark hours of our civil war, or as the director of the country's finances during the period of rehabilitation, or as a trusted councillor in framing the nation's laws for over forty years, or as the exponent of its foreign policy, his course was ever marked by devotion to the best interests of his beloved land, and by able and conscientious effort to uphold its dignity and honor. His countrymen will long revere his memory and see in him a type of the patriotism, the uprightness and the zeal that go to moulding and strengthening a nation.

In fitting expression of the sense of bereavement that afflicts the Republic, I direct that on the day of the funeral the Executive Offices of the United States display the national flag at half mast and that the representatives of the United States in foreign countries shall pay in like manner appropriate tribute to the illustrious dead for a period of ten days.

Done at the City of Washington, this 22nd day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand and nine hundred and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-fifth.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY

By the President:

JOHN HAY

Secretary of State.