

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

May 22, 1902.

## 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. 28, p. 1168.

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, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, 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 within the boundaries particularly described as follows, to wit:

Forest Reserve, Wyoming.

Beginning at the point where the range line between Ranges seventy-six (76) and seventy-seven (77) West, Sixth (6th) Principal Meridian, Wyoming, intersects the boundary line between the States of Wyoming and Colorado; thence westerly along said state boundary line to the point where it intersects the range line between Ranges eighty (80) and eighty-one (81) West; thence northerly along said range line, allowing for the proper offset on the Third (3rd) Standard Parallel North, to the south-east corner of Township fourteen (14) North, Range eighty-one (81) West; thence westerly to the south-west corner of said township; thence northerly along the range line, allowing for the proper offset on the Fourth (4th) Standard Parallel North, to the north-west corner of Township seventeen (17) North, Range eighty-one (81) West; thence easterly to the north-east corner of said township; thence southerly to the south-east corner of said township; thence easterly along the Fourth (4th) Standard Parallel North to the south-west corner of Township seventeen (17) North, Range seventy-nine (79) West; thence northerly to the north-west corner of said township; thence easterly to the north-east corner of Section five (5), Township seventeen (17) North, Range seventy-eight (78) West; thence southerly along the section lines, allowing for the proper offset on the Fourth (4th) Standard Parallel North, to the south-east corner of Section thirty-two (32), Township fifteen (15) North, Range seventy-eight (78) West; thence westerly to the north-east corner of Township fourteen (14) North, Range eighty (80) West; thence southerly to the south-east corner of said township; thence easterly along the township line to the north-east corner of Township thirteen (13) North, Range seventy-seven (77) West; thence southerly along the range line, allowing for the proper offset on the Third (3rd) Standard Parallel North, to the point where it intersects the boundary line between the States of Wyoming and Colorado, 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

Lands excepted.

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.

Reserved from settlement.

The Medicine Bow Forest Reserve.

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

The reservation hereby established shall be known as The Medicine Bow 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 22d day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two and of the [SEAL.] Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-sixth.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

By the President:

JOHN HAY

*Secretary of State.*