

tional and divisional lines run, or to be run, under the direction of the surveyor of the United States' lands for the states of Missouri and Illinois, and territory of Arkansas.

Every person claiming a preference in becoming a purchaser of a tract of land, in virtue of this act, shall deliver a notice in writing to the register of the land office for said district.

The register to file such notice.

**Proviso.**

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That every person claiming a preference in becoming the purchaser of a tract of land, in virtue of this act, shall deliver a notice in writing to the register of the land office for said district, stating therein that he was entitled to a pre-emption right, under the aforesaid act of Congress, in that part of the territory of Arkansas ceded as aforesaid, and also particularly designating therein the quarter section he is desirous to enter, which notice the register shall file in his office; and, in every case where it shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of public moneys of the land office aforesaid, that any person who has delivered such notice was entitled to a pre-emption right under said act of Congress, in that part of the territory of Arkansas ceded as aforesaid, shall have a right to enter with the register of said land office, at the minimum price for which United States' lands are sold, the tract of land designated in said notice, on producing his receipt from the receiver of public moneys for the purchase money of said tract, as in case of other public lands sold at private sale; and, as a compensation for their services, the register and receiver shall, each, be entitled to one dollar in every such case, to be paid by the claimant of such pre-emption right: *Provided*, That every such entry and payment shall be made at least two weeks previous to the time of offering the adjacent lands at public sale, unless the same be entered in such part of said district as shall have been offered at public sale at the time of the passage of this act; in which case, such entry shall be made within two years from the passage thereof.

APPROVED, May 26, 1824.

**STATUTE I.**

May 26, 1824.

CHAP. CLV.—*An Act to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas, and for other purposes. (a)*

Course of the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas shall begin at a point forty miles west of the south-west corner of the state of Missouri, and run south to the right bank of the Red River, and thence, down the river, and with the Mexican boundary, to the line of the state of Louisiana, any law heretofore made, to the contrary notwithstanding.

2,000 dollars appropriated.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of two thousand dollars, to defray the expense of running and marking said boundary line, to be expended under the directions of the President of the United States, be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The unexpended appropriation of 65,000 dollars, of March 3, 1821, ch. 35, to be expended agreeably to said act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the appropriation of sixty-five thousand dollars, made by the act of the 3d of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, for carrying into effect the treaty of the eighteenth of October, eighteen hundred and twenty, with the Chactaw [Choctaw] Indians, as remains unexpended, shall, under the direction of the President of the United States, be employed for the purposes mentioned in the said act of 3d of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

10,000 dollars appropriated.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of ten thousand dollars to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to defray the expenses of treat-

(a) See notes to act of March 2, 1819, ch. 49.

ing with the Chactaw [Choctaw] Indians, to obtain a modification of the treaty of October eighteenth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

APPROVED, May 26, 1824.

## STATUTE I.

May 26, 1824.

CHAP. CLVI.—*An Act making an appropriation towards the extinguishment of the Quaupau title to lands in the territory of Arkansas.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That a sum not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the President of the United States to negotiate a treaty with the Quaupau Indians, for the extinguishment of their title to lands in the territory of Arkansas.

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7500 dollars appropriated to negotiate a treaty with the Quaupau Indians.

## STATUTE I.

May 26, 1824.

CHAP. CLVII.—*An Act authorizing the employment of additional clerks, and certain messengers and assistants, and other persons in the several departments.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That it shall be lawful for the respective departments, hereinafter mentioned, to employ the following clerks, in addition to those authorized by existing laws, that is to say:

In the Treasury Department, one clerk, whose salary shall not exceed the sum of one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars per annum:

In the office of the treasurer, one clerk, whose salary shall not exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars, and one assistant to the chief clerk, whose salary shall not exceed the sum of four hundred dollars per annum:

In the office of the fifth auditor, one clerk, whose salary shall not exceed one thousand four hundred dollars, and two clerks, whose salaries, respectively, shall not exceed one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the Navy Department, one clerk, whose salary shall not exceed one thousand dollars:

In the office of the navy commissioners, three clerks, and one draughtsman, whose salaries, respectively, shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars per annum:

In the office of the Postmaster General, four clerks, whose salaries, respectively, shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars; and two clerks, whose salaries, respectively, shall not exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars per annum;

In the office of the commissary general of subsistence, two clerks, whose salaries, together, shall not exceed the sum of two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars per annum:

In the engineer department, two clerks, whose salaries, together, shall not exceed the sum of two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars per annum:

In the office of the surgeon general, one clerk, whose salary shall not exceed the sum of one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars per annum:

In the office of the commissary general of purchases, three clerks, whose salaries, together, shall not exceed the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum:

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be lawful for the

Clerks to be employed in the following offices.

Clerk in Treasury Department.

Clerks in treasurer's office.

Clerks in 5th auditor's office.

Clerk in navy department.

Three clerks and draughtsman in navy commissioners' office.

Clerks in general post-office.

Clerks in commissary general's office.

Clerks in engineer department.

Clerk in surgeon general's office.

Clerks in office of the commissary general of purchases.