

Persons who go upon any of the lands to be restored as herein provided and perform any act of settlement thereon from and including the date of this Proclamation until nine o'clock a. m., standard time, on the sixty-third day from and after the date hereof, or who are on or are occupying any part of such lands at said hour, except those having valid subsisting settlement rights initiated prior to reservation and since maintained, and those having preferences to make entry under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June eleventh, nineteen hundred and six (34 Stat., 233), entitled "An Act To Provide for the entry of Agricultural lands within forest reserves", and Acts amendatory, will be considered and dealt with as trespassers and preference will be given the prior legal applicant notwithstanding such unlawful settlement or occupancy: *Provided*, however, that nothing herein shall prevent persons from going upon and over the lands to examine them with a view to making entry thereof or settlement thereon when the lands shall become subject thereto in accordance with this Proclamation. Persons having prior settlement rights or preferences, as above defined, will be allowed to make entry in conformity with existing law and regulations.

Warning against trespassing prior to opening.

Agricultural entries. Vol. 34, p. 233.

Examinations allowed.

Prior settlement rights, etc.

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 twenty-first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [SEAL.] seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-first.

WOODROW WILSON

By the President:

ROBERT LANSING
Secretary of State.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

March 31, 1917.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, by Article 5 of the Convention between the United States and Denmark for the cession of the Danish West Indian Islands to the United States, the United States agrees to pay, in full consideration of the cession made by the said Convention, within ninety (90) days from the exchange of the ratifications of the said Convention, in the City of Washington, to the diplomatic representative or other agent of His Majesty, the King of Denmark, duly authorized to receive the money, the sum of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) in gold coin of the United States;

Danish West Indian Islands cession. Preamble. Vol. 39, p. 1711.

AND WHEREAS, the ratifications of the said Convention were exchanged at the City of Washington on January 17, 1917;

AND WHEREAS, by section 7 of the Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide a temporary government for the West Indian Islands acquired by the United States from Denmark by the Convention entered into between the said countries on the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and ratified by the Senate of the United States on the seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and for other purposes" the sum of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) was appropriated to be paid in the City of Washington to the diplomatic representative or other agent of His Majesty the King of Denmark duly authorized to receive said money, in full consideration of the cession of the Danish West Indian Islands to the United States made by the said Convention;

Vol. 39, p. 1133.

AND WHEREAS, in conformity with said Convention and said Act of Congress, the sum of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) was on this day paid to Mr. Constantin Brun, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Denmark at Washington as the

Agent duly authorized by the Government of Denmark to receive the money;

Vol. 39, p. 1133.

AND WHEREAS, by Section 8 of the said Act of Congress approved March 3, 1917, the fact and date of such payment shall be made public by a proclamation issued by the President and published in the said Danish West Indian Islands and in the United States.

Payment for cession announced.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim and publish that the sum of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) has this day been paid to the authorized Agent of His Majesty the King of Denmark in full consideration of the cession of the Danish West Indian Islands to the United States made by the Convention between the United States of America and His Majesty the King of Denmark, concluded August 4, 1916.

IN TESTIMONY 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 31st day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen,
[SEAL.] and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and forty-first.

WOODROW WILSON

By the President:

ROBERT LANSING,
Secretary of State.

April 6, 1917.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
A PROCLAMATION.

War with Germany.
Preamble.
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WHEREAS the Congress of the United States in the exercise of the constitutional authority vested in them have resolved, by joint resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives bearing date this day "That the state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government which has * * been thrust upon the United States is hereby formally declared";

R. S., sec. 4067, p. 784.

WHEREAS it is provided by Section four thousand and sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as follows:

Whenever there is declared a war between the United States and any foreign nation or government, or any invasion or predatory incursion is perpetrated, attempted, or threatened against the territory of the United States, by any foreign nation or government, and the President makes public proclamation of the event, all natives, citizens, denizens, or subjects of the hostile nation or government, being males of the age of fourteen years and upwards, who shall be within the United States, and not actually naturalized, shall be liable to be apprehended, restrained, secured, and removed, as alien enemies. The President is authorized, in any such event, by his proclamation thereof, or other public act, to direct the conduct to be observed, on the part of the United States, toward the aliens who become so liable; the manner and degree of the restraint to which they shall be subject, and in what cases, and upon what security their residence shall be permitted, and to provide for the removal of those who, not being permitted to reside within the United States, refuse or neglect to depart therefrom; and to establish any other regulations which are found necessary in the premises and for the public safety;

R. S., secs. 4068-4070,
pp. 784, 785.

WHEREAS, by Sections four thousand and sixty-eight, four thousand and sixty-nine, and four thousand and seventy, of the Revised Statutes, further provision is made relative to alien enemies,