

purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, all right, title, and interest in and to such lands, not to exceed four hundred and sixty acres in all, together with any improvements thereon, as the Secretary may deem necessary for the purpose of establishing a national historic site at the site of Fort Davis, near the town of Fort Davis, Jeff Davis County, Texas.

SEC. 2. (a) The property acquired under the provisions of the first section of this Act shall be designated as the Fort Davis National Historic Site and shall be set aside as a public national memorial to commemorate the historic role played by such fort in the opening of the West. The National Park Service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, shall administer, protect, and develop such monument, subject to the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916, as amended and supplemented, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes", approved August 21, 1935, as amended.

(b) In order to provide for the proper development and maintenance of such national historic site, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to construct and maintain therein such markers, buildings, and other improvements and such facilities for the care and accommodation of visitors, as he may deem necessary.

SEC. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, but not more than \$115,000 for land acquisition, as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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39 Stat. 535.
16 USC 1-4.

49 Stat. 666.
16 USC 461-467.

Appropriation.

Public Law 87-214

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution", approved June 9, 1906 (34 Stat. 227), in order to remove the statutory limitation on the amount of property such society may receive, purchase, hold, sell, and convey at any one time.

September 8, 1961
[S. 2239]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution", approved June 9, 1906 (34 Stat. 227), is amended by striking out the following: "to an amount not exceeding at any one time in the aggregate \$500,000".

36 USC 20c.

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Public Law 87-215

AN ACT

Authorizing the establishment of the Fort Smith National Historic Site, in the State of Arkansas, and for other purposes.

September 13, 1961
[H.R. 32]

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 is authorized to designate for preservation as the Fort Smith National Historic Site the site of the original Fort Smith established in 1817 on LaBelle Point at the confluence of the Arkansas

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and Poteau Rivers, together with such adjoining property as the Secretary may deem necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act. The area so designated shall include also the commissary building and the barracks building in which Judge Isaac Parker's courtroom has been restored, both of such buildings having been a part of the fort built during the latter part of the 1830's.

SEC. 2. Within the area designated pursuant to section 1 hereof, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to procure by purchase, donation, with donated funds, or otherwise, land and interests in lands: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall purchase no property under this Act until the city of Fort Smith, Arkansas, conveys to the United States, without expense thereto, all right, title, and interest of such city in and to the property designated by the Secretary as necessary for the establishment of the Fort Smith National Historic Site. When the historically significant lands and structures comprising the designated area have been acquired as herein provided, the Fort Smith National Historic Site shall be established and notice thereof shall be published in the Federal Register: *Provided further*, That lands purchased by the Secretary for the purposes of this Act shall be within the exterior boundaries of the following described tracts of land:

A three-sided, approximately 0.3-acre tract about 250 feet eastward of the easterly abutment of the Missouri Pacific Railroad bridge over the Arkansas River, bounded on all sides by railroad right-of-way 100 feet wide, approved by the Department of the Interior May 2, 1887, as delineated on the plat of West Fort Smith (Choctaw Nation), approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior August 3, 1904, and filed June 24, 1911, and being block 2 thereon.

A tract of land beginning at the intersection of the easterly right-of-way line of the Saint Louis and San Francisco Railroad and the northerly line of Garland Avenue; thence easterly along the northerly line of Garland Avenue to its intersection with the westerly line of Third Street; thence northerly along the westerly line of Third Street to its intersection with the southerly line of Rogers Avenue; thence westerly along the southerly line of Rogers Avenue to its intersection with the westerly line of Second Street; thence northerly along the westerly line of Second Street to the northeasterly corner of property of the Arkansas Warehouse Company; thence westerly along the northerly property lines of the Arkansas Warehouse Company and of the city of Fort Smith (known as the commissary) to the easterly right-of-way line of the Saint Louis and San Francisco Railroad; thence southerly along the easterly right-of-way line of the Saint Louis and San Francisco Railroad to the point of beginning.

SEC. 3. The Fort Smith National Historic Site, as constituted under this Act, shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior as a part of the National Park System pursuant to the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended and supplemented.

SEC. 4. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, not in excess of \$319,000, as are necessary to acquire the real property necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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16 USC 1-4.

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