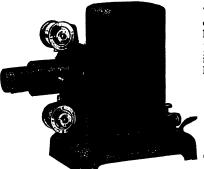


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requires an act of Congress to create a national park, either de novo or out of a previously existing national monument. Whereas all the national parks are administered by the National Park Service, which is a bureau of the Department of the Interior, the administration of some of the national monuments is turned over, as a matter of convenience and economy, to the Department of Agriculture and the War Department.

A full list of the national monuments, with a brief description of each one, is given in the Government publication cited at the head of this article, Glimpses of our National Monuments. The following selections from this list will give some idea of the geographical distribution, as well as of the range in interest, of these reservations:

Devil's Tower (Wyoming): Remarkable rock tower, 1,200 feet in height; a vast mass of columnar lava.

Petrified Forest (Arizona): Best-known group of petrified trees in the world, and one of the largest.

Tumacacori Mission (Arizona): Early 17th-century Franciscan mission; being retend by the Notional Park Service

stored by the National Park Service.

Rainbow Bridge (Utah): One of the largest and most striking natural stone arches known

Dinosaur (Utah): Enormous deposits of fossil dinosaur bones.

Carlsbad Cave (New Mexico): Lime-stone caverns of extraordinary size and remarkable beauty; interesting cave fauna. Craters of the Moon (Idaho): Weird

volcanic region containing remarkable fissure eruption, together with its associated volcanic cones, craters, lava flows, caves, natural bridges and other phenomena.

Mount Olympus (Washington): Glaciers;

montane flora and fauna, especially the

Olympian elk.

Bryce Canyon (Utah): Box canyon filled with countless array of vividly colored pinnacles.

Mound City Group (Ohio): Famous group of Indian mounds in Camp Sherman military reservation.
Fort Marion (Florida): Oldest military

structure in this country; built by the Spaniards in 1656.

Fort Wood (New York): Only one acre in extent, it is the smallest of our national monuments, but nevertheless the best known; it is the site of the Statue of Liberty.

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Twenty states have passed enabling legislation for city planning and zoning in incorporated cities.

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Another Petrified Forest?

Palæobotany

Some time ago reports were rife of the existence of a great petrified forest in Brewster County, Texas. They were greeted with considerable skepticism.

But now comes Howard A. Epperson of Martha, Texas, who in a letter written to the U. S. Forest Service and quoted in American Forests, declares that he has visited the region and seen the fossil trees, and that in company with the late George B. Sudworth.

Mr. Epperson says that he and Mr. Sudworth estimated the largest stump they found to be over 40 feet in diameter where it projected through the volcanic ash, and that they believed its roots were buried 150 to 200 feet below that point.

"I would very much like to see or help to make a more comprehensive survey of this locality," he says.

This would seem to furnish a challenge to any young geologist to travel down into that country with tape-measure, notebook and camera, and settle the question of that forest once and for all.

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