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CHAP. 436.—An Act To make The Star-Spangled Banner the national anthem of the United States of America.

The Star-Spangled Banner.
Composition known as, designated the national anthem.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the composition consisting of the words and music known as The Star-Spangled Banner is designated the national anthem of the United States of America.

Approved, March 3, 1931.

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CHAP. 437.—An Act To establish a national military park to commemorate the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Kings Mountain National Military Park, N. C.
Establishment of.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to commemorate the Battle of Kings Mountain, which was fought on the 7th day of October, 1780, the Kings Mountain battle ground, in the State of South Carolina, including such adjacent and contiguous lands as may be useful and proper in effectually carrying out the purposes of this Act, is hereby declared to be a national military park, to be known as the Kings Mountain National Military Park, when such land including said battle ground shall become the property of the United States.

Purposes declared.

Location of battlefield to determine site.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of War shall ascertain on what land the Battle of Kings Mountain was fought and, subject to the provisions of section 355 of the Revised Statutes, shall proceed to acquire title to such land together with such adjacent and contiguous lands as he may deem useful and proper in effectually carrying out the purposes of this Act, either by purchase or gift or by condemnation under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize condemnation of land for sites of public buildings, and for other purposes," approved August 1, 1888.

Acquisition of lands by purchase or condemnation.

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Control of Secretary of War.
Regulations to be prescribed.

SEC. 3. Such park shall be under the control and direction of the Secretary of War. The Secretary is authorized to prescribe from time to time such regulations for the care and management of such park as he may deem necessary.

Revocable permits to holders of land.

SEC. 4. Upon such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, the Secretary of War is authorized to permit any person occupying any land within the boundaries of such park to continue to occupy such land, but the Secretary may revoke such permit at any time.

Road construction, etc.
Historic markers.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of War shall open or repair such roads in such park as may be necessary, and ascertain and mark with tablets or otherwise, as he may determine, all lines of battle of the American troops and British troops engaged in the Battle of Kings Mountain and other historical points of interest pertaining to the battle which are within the boundaries of the park. The Secretary is authorized to employ such labor and services and to obtain such supplies and materials as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Services and supplies authorized.

State cooperation.

SEC. 6. The authorities of any State which had troops engaged in the Battle of Kings Mountain may enter the Kings Mountain National Military Park for the purpose of ascertaining and marking the lines of battle of such troops, but before any such lines are permanently designated the position of the lines and the proposed methods of marking them by monuments, tablets, or otherwise shall be approved by the Secretary of War. Any State organization or individual may, with the approval of the Secretary of War, erect monuments or place tablets within such park.

Supervision of Secretary of War.

Permission extended to individuals, etc.