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"The New Day For The Indians" Collier's Aim

MR. John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, has done a number of things for the Indians of this country, but one of the greatest projects he has undertaken is the Indian Reorganization Act which has already been accepted by a majority of the tribes.

This Act provides: (1) The allotment system is ended and remaining Indian lands are protected from further loss; (2) Surplus lands heretofore thrown open to white homesteaders which has not been entered may be restored and further land may be bought for the Indians; (3) Tribes may organize themselves for their mutual benefit, and when organized enjoy self-government under federal guardianship; (4) Tribes may incorporate for business purposes; (5) A fund is established for scholarship loans to enable gifted Indians to receive advanced education; (6) The Secretary of Interior may establish special Civil Service rules to make it easier for Indians to enter Indian service; and, (7) A revolving fund is made available for incorporated communities to enable them to get started supporting themselves.

This new law does not apply to any tribe or band which votes against accepting the Act. Among the 266 eligible bands and tribes, 189 have accepted the Act and 77 have rejected it.

Although Mr. Collier has accomplished a great deal since he has been commissioner, there is still much to be done. In his work he is attempting to erase the blot of broken agreements with the Indians in the past. This is work being done by the friend of the Indian people, John Collier.

Mr. Collier believes that the Indians should be allowed to wear their original dress if they desire, speak their native language, enjoy their customs, and develop their crafts, and so on, but, he also believes that the Indians should not live in

starvation and in hovels vermin invested. He thinks the Indians should have their own lands on which to survive and his aim in the Reorganization Act is to make the Indians self-supporting and self-reliant citizens.—IRIS HOGSED

Society News

ON Sunday night, January 8, the student body and the faculty were called together at the Auditorium to be entertained by "Spec" Keene and Mr. Leslie Sparks. Due to some difficulty, Mr. Keene was not able to be present. Mr. Sparks took over the program and spoke on the problem of health for athletes.

Mr. Sparks is the Professor of Physical Education at the Willamette University. His speech was of much interest to the listeners. Shortly after, he showed football pictures of the Willamette University team and of the larger college teams from the east.

After chapel, the Senior girls gave a reception at Winona hall and invited the Senior boys, some of the employees, and Mr. Sparks. A short program was given and light refreshments were served. The whole evening was enjoyed by everyone who attended chapel and the reception.

ON Jan. 11, the Reliance met with their sister society, the Winonas, in the high school building to discuss business and entertainment for the student body, and to select members for different committees.

The meeting was well conducted by Miss Barbara Whitelaw, newly elected president of the Winonas.

ON Sunday night January 15, the Chemawa Hi-Y-Club was initiated into the National Hi-Y organization. The Portland boys performed the ceremony, and a short speech of welcome was given by our Supt. Jackson. Also a short speech of "Thanks" was given by Gus Moore, the Y. M. C. A. director from Salem. The induction ceremony was a success.