

## SWEAR LOYALTY TO OLD GLORY

Indians Everywhere Greet the Wanamaker Party

U. S. FLAG FOR ALL TRIBES.

Expedition to Visit 89 Reservations and 169 Tribes—Stars and Stripes Saluted by Redskins, Who Swear Loyalty—Indians Fast Disappearing.

Philadelphia.—In order that every Indian in the United States may have an opportunity to declare his allegiance to the stars and stripes, the flag of the white man who has driven him and his people into a few restricted reservations scattered over the country, the Rodman Wanamaker expedition of citizenship to the North American Indian is visiting these reservations, carrying words of good will and encouragement to the descendants of the warriors who made the white settlers fight tooth and nail for a foothold in North America.

This expedition, which by the authority of the president left Philadelphia for the west, is the result of the inspiration of Rodman Wanamaker of Philadelphia, the donor of the memorial to the Indian which is being erected at Fort Wadsworth, N. Y. The expedition carries with it the same flag and ropes that were used in the flag raising at the dedication of the memorial at Fort Wadsworth on the last anniversary of Washington's birthday, and every Indian tribe will have an opportunity to bust the flag on its own territory and sign the declaration of allegiance under which thirty-three Indian chiefs "made their marks" at the dedication ceremonies.

In charge of the expedition is Dr. Joseph Kossuth Dixon of Philadelphia. The other members of the party are Rollin Lester Dixon, H. Trevor Booth, M. Harris Cole, Major James McLaughlin, representing the department of the interior, and Montgomery Conky, stenographer. These men will



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travel 20,862 miles before they return to Philadelphia on Dec. 5 next and will visit eighty-nine reservations and 169 tribes. Each tribe will be presented with a large American flag, the gift of Mr. Wanamaker, and for the first time in the history of their race these bronze men will have a flag of their own.

The Indian has been well called "a man without a country," and, though every reservation has its government office over which the stars and stripes flutter, no one has ever seen Old Glory raised over a foot of the soil reserved for the Indians by their conquerors.

At the ceremonies attending the presentation of the flags the Indians are having an opportunity to hear the message which the great white father, President Taft, delivered to the thirty-three chiefs on Washington's birthday. Indian interpreters are reading this message to the red men.

To give in detail the itinerary of the expedition would exhaust both patience and space. Suffice it to say that practically every state in the west and south is being visited and that all methods of locomotion, from the twentieth century "iron horse" to the eighteenth century stagecoach, are being experienced by the white men, smoking the pipe of peace with their aboriginal brothers.

Although the Indians have succumbed before the white men like snow before a spring sun, it may surprise many persons to know that there are still 250,000 of the original owners of America within its shores, this including half breeds as well as the full blooded types. When Columbus landed there were about 1,200,000 Redskins on this continent.

The Indian is fast disappearing. Before he is extinct or entirely assimilated by the stronger race that has conquered him it is the praiseworthy purpose of Mr. Wanamaker and his associates to make some amends for the hard knocks he has had from the white race in the past, so that "when we meet him later on over the great divide we shall not have to make an accounting to him for our perfidy and cruelty to his people."

Triplets in Incubator.

Green Bay, Wis.—Triplets, two boys and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Lynn D. Jasp. Two of the babies came a day after the birth of the first one, and all are expected to survive. The physician ordered them placed in an incubator.

## LIBERTY BELL AT EXPOSITION.

Famous Old Relic Will Be One of the Interesting Attractions.

Philadelphia.—Despite the dire predictions of expert metallurgists and others, it seems settled that the Liberty bell, which proclaimed the independence of the United States 137 years ago, will be sent to the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco in 1915.

The crack, which was started on July 4, 1776, when the bell pealed forth the news of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, extends around one-fourth of the bell's circumference and



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is gradually increasing. According to Wilfred Jordan, curator of Independence hall, the crack extended two inches in a single year during the handling incidental to the founders' week celebration in this city in 1908.

The course followed by the crack is along an imperfection known to metallurgists as a "cooling strain," which offers the least resistance to the pressure of the bell's sides.

"The slightest vibration," said Mr. Jordan, "will affect the bell in time, and the continual jarring which is bound to result on a railroad, no matter how well the bell may be protected, will shorten the time many fold when the old relic will fall to pieces. If, indeed, it returns from the 6,000 mile journey whole."

## STATISTICS PROVE GROWTH OF "MOVIES"

6,380,000,000 Nickels Spent Annually in America.

New York.—Chairman Frank A. Tichenor of the first international exhibition of the moving picture arts has completed tabulating moving picture statistics, which show that 6,380,000,000 nickels are paid yearly by 3,600,000,000 persons who love the "movie" shows.

The figures, which are the first official ones ever prepared in this country, are expected to create considerable interest not alone among moving picture men, but the public at large. The figures show that \$319,000,000 was received in quarters, dimes and nickels, that \$80,000,000 is invested in the industry, that more than 200,000 persons are employed and that 10,000,000 feet of picture films are produced weekly.

The statistics show a decrease in motion picture licenses in some of the smaller cities, which is attributed to the wage earners' money going to the "movies" instead of "the poor man's club." The statistics will be illustrated by a moving picture called "The Shrinking Don John," in which a monster don John is made by means of trick photography to decrease in size, while at the same time a moving picture theater grows from a toy size to normal proportions.

## SINGING FISH DISTURB TOWN.

This Remarkable Fish Tale Comes From Bellevue, O.

Bellevue, O.—This town is all fussed up over certain singing fish which keep the villagers awake at nights. These fish, a variety of bull pout, live in the subterranean streams which flow under the place and, possibly becoming lonesome, come to the surface and sing.

Anyway, they gather at the surface of cisterns and quiet pools in the gathering dusk and chant in chorus what a prominent postess of Bellevue calls a sweet, sad, haunting melody, which she likens to the moaning of night winds through lonely, brooding pines.

She also believes that the pout in the subterranean darkness keep track of each other by their cries and that the drooping sounds are their callings to their mates. But plain citizens who are kept awake are beginning to cuss the gosh-blamed noise.

In Six Weeks \$1 Grows to \$300.

Kansas City, Mo.—Starting six weeks ago, with \$1, Dago John now has a prosperous business and \$300 in the bank. He bought a \$50 gold watch on the installment plan, paying the jewelry company his last dollar down. After obtaining the watch he pawned it for \$10. With this money he purchased a cart and consignment of fruit and started out. He has redeemed his watch.

Egg With Two Shells.

Winfield, Kan.—An egg with a double shell is a curiosity that is being exhibited by R. T. Richardson of this city. The outer shell is as large as a turkey egg, while it somewhat resembles. One end of this shell has been broken, and on the inside can be seen a smaller egg, one which is about the size of an ordinary hen egg.

## MANY DIAMONDS IMPORTED.

Dealers in Gems Buy Heavily to Escape New Tariff.

New York.—The imports of precious stones for the last fiscal year amount to \$50,000,000, according to an authoritative estimate.

The appraised value of diamonds and other precious stones which already have passed through the New York custom house totals \$43,680,280, and these are record establishing figures for a similar period in any year.

July imports totaled \$5,547,110, and no other month since has reached these figures. In August the receipts dropped to \$3,317,055 and in the remaining months in 1912 were: September, \$3,850,356; October, \$3,988,545; November, \$3,415,529, and December, the lightest month of the year, \$2,521,806.

Fear on the part of the importers that they will have to pay a higher duty on gems under the Underwood tariff bill has caused them to import large quantities of precious stones. In May the receipts totaled \$4,690,323, record figures for that month. In April the imports amounted to \$3,808,681; March, \$4,341,179; February, \$4,290,435, and January, \$3,890,905.

## MONKEY RUINS A WATCH.

Amazed Owner Stands by and Sees Timepiece Destroyed.

Spokane, Wash., June 25.—Dissecting a silver watch in the presence of a rapidly increasing crowd, much to the chagrin and displeasure of the owner, is one of the latest tricks of the monkeys at Natatorium park.

Jack, one of the monkeys which was captured a couple of weeks ago after being at large several days, was in the cage when a man with a silver watch swung the timepiece in front of the monkey for a minute. Suddenly the animal seized the watch and began to take it to pieces before the amazed owner could recover from his surprise.

The man immediately started in search of a park attendant, but before one could be found the monkey had broken the face and taken out all the wheels as well as the mainspring, with which he was playing when the attendant put in an appearance.

## PENSION PAPERS OF BURR TO BE DISPLAYED

Application Has Been on File In Bureau Since 1834.

Washington.—Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, has offered the application of Aaron Burr for a pension to the National museum. He wrote to Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian institution, in charge of the museum, saying that the application should be on public view instead of in the files of the bureau of pensions, where it has been since 1834.

There are four pages to the application, and it is in as good a state of preservation as if it had been written a month ago. Mr. Burr wrote on both sides of the paper, which is legal size, setting forth that he quit the army with the rank of colonel, that he was enlisted in the army in 1775, when eighteen years old, and that at the time of the application he was seventy-eight.

He recites that he was made lieutenant colonel by General Washington, that his health became impaired and that he made several attempts to resign on that account, and his resignation was accepted conditionally and with protest by General Washington. Before the resignation took effect, the application says, Colonel Burr was persuaded to undertake the destruction of a British blockhouse on the Bronx river, which he accomplished, and then was persuaded to delay his resignation until 1781.

The signature is modestly placed in the right hand corner of the application and reads: "A. Burr."

## CAT GOES TO FIRES.

Firemen's Pet Slides Down Pole and Rides With Driver.

New Orleans.—A cat that leaps from its box on the second floor of Engine Company No. 25 quarters when the alarm sounds, springs for the brass pole and with its fore and hind feet embracing the rod, slides down to the main floor and then jumps on the driver's seat of the engine, is the new mascot adopted by the firemen there.

"Willie" was found one day asleep in a soap box upstairs. The animal seemed satisfied with accommodations and was allowed to remain. A day later, when an alarm rang, the astounded members saw a ball of fur shoot for the rod and later spring for the engine.

In off days, when alarms are few, some one taps on the bell just to see the cat jump. Children in the neighborhood gather around the door, and some one makes a noise like a signal, and down slides "Willie."

Eight Notch Man Dies In Chair.

Eddyville, Ky.—General May, whose ever ready pistol bore eight notches, was put to death in the electric chair here for the murder of Mrs. Belle Meredith of Clay county. Mrs. Meredith was shot down after May had killed her husband. May, whose Christian name was General, had been a deputy sheriff, and in a fight several years ago he was shot twelve times.

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