

Indian Tribal Delegates Confer in Black Hills

Greatest Gathering of Tribes in Eighty Years.

Washington.—More than 400 Indians, representing some 40,000 fellow tribesmen in five states, have returned to native teepees, sod huts and prairie homes after one of the largest Indian powwows held in this country since 1851. In Rapid City, S. D., at the foot of the Black Hills, stolid-faced tribal delegates from the North and South Dakotas, Wyoming, Montana and Nebraska listened for four days while officials of the office of Indian affairs explained a new plan for consolidation of their lands and disposition of personal property.

The delegates will report back to their tribes and meet for a second conference this year "before the snow flies." Among the tribes represented at the Rapid City powwow, the first of a series of such gatherings being held throughout the Indian lands of the West, were the Sioux, Blackfoot, Shoshones, Rocky Boys, Crows, Arapahoes, Cheyennes, Winnebagos, Yanktons, Turtle Mountain Chippewas, Fort Bretholds, Sissetons, and Wahpetons.

Favorite Hunting Ground.

The Black Hills region forms an appropriate theater for a big Indian conference, because this 'island of mountains' in the Great Plains was once a favorite hunting ground of the Red Men," says a bulletin from the National Geographic society. "All of western South Dakota war at one time reserved for the Sioux Indians, whose 25,000 living members comprised the largest group represented at the recent powwow.

"What Indian tribe possessed this choice game country before the white man came to America is unknown; but since the opening of the West several distinct tribes have occupied the region, each in turn forced out by a stronger group. In all cases these newcomers have appeared from the east and almost without exception the older residents have moved farther west.

"The Crow Indians are believed to have been in possession of the Black Hills near the beginning of the Eighteenth century. Later the Poncas entered the eastern portion of the highlands, but finding them occupied, turned back eastward. The Cheyennes were the next successful invaders from the east, and held the territory when Lewis and Clark passed in 1804.

"Next came the Sioux, the last of the Red Men to hold this desirable region before the advent of the whites. The first 'written' history of the country is a pictorial chronicle of the Sioux on prepared skins. It records that the famous chief, Standing Bull, led a party of warriors to the hills about the time of the signing of the American Declaration of Independence, and took back to his Plains home a little pine tree, a type of tree never seen before by his immediate tribe.

"It is a matter of tradition that the Cheyennes fought stubbornly to retain their upland hunting grounds, but that the Sioux finally drove them out, the decisive battle being fought at Battle Mountain near the present town of Hot Springs.

"Explored by U. S. Army. The first real exploration of the Black Hills was carried out by officers of the United States army in 1857 and 1859. After these expeditions, rumors of the existence of gold there spread throughout the world, and a horde of would-be prospectors insisted that they be permitted to seek their fortunes in the new El Dorado.

"In 1874 the secretary of war sent

an expedition to the region and its mineralogists found gold. When this became known, prospectors entered in spite of the best efforts of the United States army. After a year or two of unsuccessful attempts to eject these white interlopers, the federal government found it necessary to take over the hills from the Indians.

"The national acquisition of this land was not easy. Not only were the Black Hills a happy hunting ground, but certain areas were regarded as sacred by the Sioux. There were places reserved for the Great Spirit, where no Indian dared hunt. To them came the medicine men to practice rites which should avert tribal disaster. It was in these hills that Sitting Bull communed with the spirits before he incited the Sioux to resist Crook and Custer in the memorable campaign which cost the latter officer his life.

"The region was thrown open for general settlement by President Grant in 1876, just 58 years ago. A turbulent frontier life developed in the mining camps that sprang up.

"The Black Hills, which really should be called 'mountains' because some of their peaks are over 7,000 feet above sea level, are not a part of the Rockies, but they may be looked upon as little brothers. Both probably were formed at the same time.

"Today the most noted landmark of the Black Hills is Rushmore mountain, across the face of which is being carved gigantic figures of four great builders of the American nation: Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Roosevelt, with an inscription to be determined through a national contest.

Ceramics Experts Seek Chinese Pottery Secrets

Cincinnati.—Modern research in ceramics has concerned itself with efforts to rediscover knowledge of pottery making which was employed by the Chinese as early as 800 A. D.

Ancient Chinese potters produced, according to Edmund F. Curtis, industrial arts instructor in the Pennsylvania museum articles of such beauty in line, shape and color that surface decorations were unnecessary.

Skill of the Chinese in attaining new color effects reached its greatest accomplishment in production of pottery of sang de boeuf, or oxblood, color. This shade was produced by the Lams brothers, and their pottery, of which only a few examples are extant in this country, is known as Langao. New

Discover Help in Battle on Paralysis

Scientists Get New Data on Virus of Disease.

New York.—Echoing a similar survey made last fall by Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the Rockefeller Institute, Dr. Arthur R. Elvidge and Dr. Maurice Brodie have reported that through experiments they conducted upon monkeys, a possible curb upon the destructive power of the virus of infantile paralysis may be possible.

Because of the fact that nasal secretions of abortive cases, of healthy carriers and, on occasion, the dust of the sick room have been shown to contain the virus, Doctors Elvidge and Brodie localized their experiments to the noses of the monkeys, instead of the intestinal tracts.

Reporting their tests in the current issue of Science, they state that in

HE GOES TO AUSTRIA



George S. Messersmith, American minister to Uruguay, who has been selected for appointment as the American minister to Austria to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of George H. Earle.

York's Metropolitan museum possesses one of the pieces.

Potters all over the world have sought to reproduce the Langao shade. Curtis said, and have succeeded. Among those who have produced it are Curtis, Charles Harder, ceramic department, Alfred university Alfred N. Y.; Herman Seger, a German; Theodore Deck, a Frenchman; Bernard Moore, an Englishman, and the Rookwood pottery, Cincinnati.

In making the Langao, clay is used which contains a small percentage of copper oxide. The article is fashioned, glazed, then fired in a temperature of about 2,300 degrees Fahrenheit, under special atmospheric conditions.

Britons Can Take Bus for Trip to "America"

London.—A tuppenny trip to America! The journey can be made by bus from Haywards Heath, in the middle of Sussex, by way of New England fields.

Founded more than a century ago by a Quaker philanthropist, as an allotment for farm laborers, this "America" in England still retains its rustic character and quaint, thatched-roof cottages. The "New England" community, which has been modernized, has a Mayflower road, appropriately lined with May trees.

IDLE TO PRATE OF WEAKER SEX

Authority Asserts Old Idea Is Wrong.

For scores of centuries, the history of literature indicates, women have been considered less strong, less sturdy than men. To the feminine side of creation has been applied the term, "the weaker sex," and chivalry and manners have been predicated upon the supposition so denominated. But Dr. E. V. Allen, a member of the medical staff of the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn., has contradicted the entire notion. In a recent survey of three hundred thousand cases he says he found facts to support his contention that mothers, wives and daughters have survival powers far in excess of those of fathers, husbands and sons. In fine, the "female of the species" is endowed with "more resistance" than the male.

Doctor Allen concedes that his verdict is unorthodox. He agrees: "Many will take exception to this statement. They will say that football players, track men, wrestlers and those who excel in feats of strength and endurance are almost uniformly males. But physical prowess is but the outward harbinger of physical superiority. A quality much better reflected is ability to withstand disease."

Men, Doctor Allen insists, are especially prone to succumb to functional ills. Digestive, lung, kidney and brain ailments shorten their lives. Granted that women may be ill more frequently and that they may be more apt to complain about their troubles, there seems to be no possibility of argument about the final figures whereby it is manifest that men die earlier than women. Even among infants the death rate for boys is greater than for girls.

Perhaps the real question is one of psychological reaction. Women may guard their health more effectively than men. Also, they are the beneficiaries of a certain protective attitude on the part of their masculine relatives. In this generation, anyway, the welfare of women is guarded, whereas men remain very much what they were a millennium ago—gamblers with fate, incessantly taking chances.

It would be easy to be dogmatic, but there are so many different angles to such a problem that the philosopher will wish to avoid a definite opinion. The one incontrovertible fact in the circumstances is that, weaker or stronger, each sex should be mindful of the necessity for making life more abundantly worth living, more worth while.—Washington Star.

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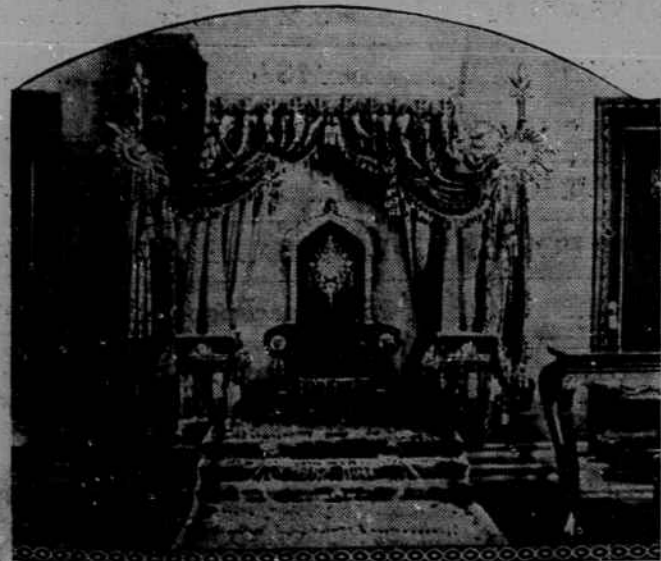
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Throne Room of Emperor Pu Yi



Interior of the throne room, showing the official seat of Emperor Henry Pu Yi of Manchoukuo, who was recently enthroned.

Hot Dog Man Left His Friend \$11,000

Danbury, Conn.—Michelle Valluzzo was a familiar figure in Danbury for many years and his hot frankfurters were tasty and appetizing.

But no one ever believed he made more than a scant living from his apparently ill-chosen business. He lived alone in a house belonging to a nephew and prepared his own meals.

Sickness came with old age and, claiming his relatives refused to care for him, he told Paul Spano, a friend he would remember him in his will if he would permit him to live at his home. Spano consented.

When Valluzzo died it was learned he had left an estate of \$11,000 to his friend. Relatives contested the will and their claims were denied.