

THE INDIAN IN THE WORLD WAR

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THE RODMAN WANAMAKER INDIAN FOUNDATION

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DR. JOSEPH KOSSUTH DIXON
IN CHARGE

Philadelphia, Pa.,
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TO ALL THE TRIBES,

Dear Friends:

Mr. Rodman Wanamaker is employing every effort to make a historical record of the participation of the North American Indian in the great World War. For this purpose Doctor Joseph K. Dixon, Leader of the Rodman Wanamaker Historical Expeditions to the Indian country, has visited all of the camps and hospitals on the Eastern seaboard, taking photographs of returned Indian soldiers and wounded Indians, interviewing the Indians and the officers in command of Indians. Officers of all rank speak in highest praise of the Indian as a man and as a soldier. Of all the thousands of Indians who served in all branches of the Service, it has been possible to obtain a record of only about 1,500 of them. *There is no record of Indians serving in the Air Service. There is no record of Indians serving in the Navy.* If the record of the Indian in this Great War is preserved, the Indians must not fail in giving the information asked. It is Mr. Wanamaker's desire to make so complete and accurate a record that the history of the Indian in the War will be preserved by your own people as a thrilling story of your achievement, and also that the world may know of your patriotic service.

It is so vastly important that an accurate historic record of the participation of the North American Indian in the World War be made, that this questionnaire is sent forth seeking the earnest cooperation of all Superintendents of Reservations and Superintendents of Schools—all Indians, and all friends of the Indian. ~~The record is to be made in duplicate—one copy filed in the Indian Office and the other sent by Commissioner Sells to~~ Mr. Rodman Wanamaker for his use in writing a historical record of the Indian in the World War.

By Direction of JOHN BARTON PAYNE, Secretary of the Interior
CATO SELLS, Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Joseph Kossuth Dixon

LIST OF INDIANS IN THE WORLD WAR

Please Answer the Following Questions?

Date June 11-1921

Name Wm Murray (of Indian) Tribe Sioux (to which he belonged) Age _____
Post Office Address Santa Cruz, Cal (Present)

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REMARKS

(Write here any Items of Interest connected with your War experience).

Dear Sir

I have sent in a copy of your letter all filled out some time ago. Giving you what facts I know concerning my War experience. While in the World War, I can say that I have went through with-
 out a scratch, but although I suffered considerable thoughts I was having my duty. In the Argonne Forest we were under constant artillery fire from the German we resister. I pushed our way forward under the sign of the Armistice - I served over a year overseas, and 6 months in H.S.C.

REMARKS

Your Respt
W. M. King

Seek from some authority replies to the following questions:

- Number of Liberty Bonds bought by the Tribe? ~~_____~~
- When were you Allotted?
- Amount contributed to Red Cross by the Tribe? _____ Give date of Trust Patent
- Number of Indians enlisted from the Tribe? _____ Give date of law under which you were Allotted.....
- Number of Indians returned from the War?