



"INDEPENDENCE HALL"

Thumbnail History of the United States

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Within a year from the day when the shot heard round the world was fired at Concord all semblance of allegiance to Great Britain disappeared. The Continental army was in existence; Washington was Commander-in-Chief; Bunker Hill had been fought; the Colonial Legislature had been replaced by Provincial Congresses or Provincial Conventions, and the Royal Governors by Committees of Safety.

These years our trade declined; a wave of population swept westward; Ohio was admitted as a state; Jefferson was elected president; Louisiana was purchased from France and renewed in Europe.

The foreign issues which distracted the people from 1793 to 1815 were soon replaced by others of domestic origin, and during this period of transition the Federal party disappeared. From 1817 to 1823 there was but one national party, and so harmonious was it that in 1820 Monroe was the only presidential candidate.



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The issues growing into importance were the removal of the Indians from the Southern states, the use of the public lands and the money derived from their sale, the building of roads and canals at Federal expense, tariff for protection and a sound currency.

The financial legislation of the first and second congresses split the people into two political parties, the Federalists, who supported Washington, and the Republicans, who opposed the administration under the lead of Jefferson, Madison, Monroe and Gallatin. Scarcely had the parties been organized on domestic issues when France declared war on Great Britain and opened her West coast to neutral trade, which ended with war in 1812.

After the loss of our neutral trade and the war brought on a period of business reorganization, depression, hard times and caused such distress that hundreds of thousands of people left the seaboard and hurried to the West of that time. As a consequence, between 1816 and 1821, Indiana, Illinois, Alabama, Mississippi and Missouri entered the Union as states.

Annexation of Texas led to war with Mexico and a further expansion of the United States. The acquisition of New Mexico and Utah with territorial governments brought on the free-soil struggle and the compromise of 1850; and the third, fourth and fifth congresses the Free Soil and Republican parties and made slavery the ruling political issue to 1860. Out of the struggle of the Union with territorial governments brought on the free-soil struggle and the compromise of 1850; and the third, fourth and fifth congresses the Free Soil and Republican parties and made slavery the ruling political issue to 1860.

Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence at his lodgings in Philadelphia in the house of a Mrs. Clymer, who lived on the southwest corner of Seventh and High streets. The house was torn down some years ago, and the handsome building of the Penn National bank now stands on the site of Jefferson's old boarding place.

grand salute. Also a detachment of Col. Craft's regiment of artillery in view of the general court, and the charges from the arsenal and powder, both manufactured in this state. The Independent company and the officers of the continental army, a very martial appearance, maneuvered and performed their stunts in view of the general court.

Uncle Ned had stolen out to the orchard to take a quiet snooze under the apple tree. Above her, the children sniped at his hiding place and begged him to come out. Uncle Ned pretended to be provoked, but of course he was not really angry. "Well, what shall I do this time?" he demanded.

"Oh, yes, do Uncle Ned," echoed the others. "For a minute or two Uncle Ned ruminated about it in his memory. 'I will tell you about a time in 1853,' he said. 'I was at Funchal, the capital city of Madeira Island, one of the paradises of the earth. My father, your granduncle, had gone there for his health, and with my mother we were invited to spend the Fourth with Mr. Marsh, then American consul."

Evolution of the Fourth

In the twenties of the last century great preparations were made by the citizens of southern Ohio for the Fourth of July celebration, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. In some instances an ox was roasted and people came for miles to see the thing. On other times the "foremothers" provided great feasts of venison and beef for the fanks, with letters of apple and pumpkin bread and other common fare of corbread—and pies by the quantity of all varieties known to the time.

Then came dancing. After the passing of the combined Sunday school picnic and Fourth of July celebration the observance of the day took on a lighter character. With the advent of the new century the celebration of Independence in the "old" platform was enlarged, smoothed and turned into a dancing platform. With the advent of the new century the celebration of Independence in the "old" platform was enlarged, smoothed and turned into a dancing platform.

Birthplace of Liberty

Freedom in the olden time Rang in the tower's metallic chime; Of all the vallant words that live, 'Tis this that lives in every man's mind.

How Refrigerator Car Built Up a Trade for Beef. "To produce beef that will stand refrigerating and long carrying," writes Mr. Russell in the May installment of the "Farming Truth" in Everybody's magazine, "certain meat should be fed on food that contains certain food elements. In some parts of the country grass grows in what is called 'short grass,' which has all the required nutrition. But the supply of such food is not sufficient."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a positive cure for all those painful ailments of women. It will entirely cure the worst forms of Leucorrhoea, all Ovarian troubles, Indigestion and Ulceration, Falling and Displacements of the Womb and consequent Spinal Weakness, and is equally adapted to the Change of Life. Every time it will cure.

Substitute Teacher Asked for Point of Information. It was at the summer school for teachers. The professor of sociology was young and good-looking, also he was lecturing.

Women Not Artistic. During the last hundred years in France and England the education of women has become more artistic than that of men. For more emphasis is laid upon music and drawing in the schools than in the corresponding institutions for their brothers.

Home of Leghorn Hare. Siena, Italy, is famous for the large hare of its women, and the long horns of the hares. The hares, which we know in America as Leghorn hares, are a peculiar product of Siena, although they are known abroad by the name of the city from which they are exported.

Why They Are Happy. TWO NOTABLE RECOVERIES FROM EXTREME DEBILITY. Husband's Strength Had Been Waning for Three Years. Wife a Nervous Female Weakness.

Andrew Carnegie is a citizen of more towns than anyone else. He has been a citizen of more than 100 cities in England and Scotland for which he has contributed a free library or other institution. He will receive the honor of citizenship to accommodate the caskets containing parchment rolls of his citizenship.

Consider. The hills of the field whose bloom is brief, Like them we fade away. As doth a leaf.