

SERVICE MEN'S TOUR
of

Lower Manhattan and Upper New York Bay
Leave from Recreation Information Office
Sunday Afternoon 1:15 o'clock

Itinerary prepared by Recreation-Information Service
William Sloane House YMCA

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I am also enclosing a bulletins from Sunday*

DIRECTIONS - Take downtown 7th Avenue "South Ferry" express subway train to Rector Street. Carfare 5¢. Leave Platform by uptown exit. Walk one block east to Washington Street. South on Washington to Pier "A".

SYRIAN QUARTER - The small shops in this district deal in goods imported from the Eastern Mediterranean countries.

BATTERY PARK - The southern point of Manhattan. The park is closed to the public due to the construction work on the new vehicular tunnel under the East River to Brooklyn.

AQUARIUM BUILDING - located in Battery Park. This building now being demolished was first known as West Battery. It was completed in 1811. Became a concert hall in 1923 and its name was changed to Castle Garden. At various times, General Lafayette, President Jackson, Kossuth and the Prince of Wales, and other celebrities were received there. Jenny Lind began her American tour in this hall in 1850. Between 1855 and 1890 this building was used as an immigration station for eight million immigrants. Converted into an aquarium in 1896. The Aquarium was transferred to the Bronx Zoo in 1941.

STATUE OF LIBERTY - It is located on Bedloe Island and was presented to the people of the United States by the people of France in commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of American Independence. Statue, designed by August Bartholdi. The supporting ironwork was designed by Alexander Eiffel. The total height of the Statue is 301 feet. Forty people can stand in the head of the Statue at one time. The Statue of Liberty Boat leaves Battery Park on the hour from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily and from the Statue on the half hour. Round trip boat fare is 20¢ for men in military uniform.

NEW YORK CUSTOM HOUSE - Whitehall and State Streets. Scene of the founding of New Amsterdam May 4, 1626. On this site Fort Amsterdam was erected in 1626 by the Dutch and its successor Fort George was demolished by the English in 1790.

STONE STREET - the first paved street in New York.

PEARL STREET - the original shore line of lower Manhattan.

FRAUNCES TAVERN - Pearl and Broad Streets. Opened in 1719 as the Queens Head Tavern, and changed ownership a number of times. Samuel Fraunces took over the management of this tavern in 1762. Fraunces Tavern is the scene of Washington's Farewell to his military staff December 4, 1783 following the Revolutionary War.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM KIDD - a successful merchant, was a familiar figure along Pearl Street and Hanover Square from 1690 to 1699. In 1697 William III commissioned Captain Kidd to proceed against the pirates as a privateer. Kidd preyed on legitimate commerce. He was found guilty on piracy indictments, and was hung at Execution Dock, London, May 23, 1701.

"Please Save!!"

WALL STREET - From Broadway to East River. Wall Street takes its name from the fortifications built in 1653 by the Dutch along the northern boundary of New Amsterdam. Under English rule the settlement outgrew its boundary and the wall was torn down in 1699. Wall Street today is the center of the Financial District.

BANK OF NEW YORK - Wall and Williams Streets. This bank, the first to be established in New York, was founded by Alexander Hamilton in 1707.

THE SUB-TREASURY BUILDING - Wall and Nassau Streets. This is the place where the second City Hall and first federal building was located. It was here that George Washington was inaugurated the first President of the United States on April 30, 1789 -- the first place where Congress met under the Constitution -- the place where the first government loan was floated. It was here that the famous trial of Peter Zenger was held in 1735; the trial that led to the inclusion of a free press in our Bill of Rights. The present building was completed in 1841.

J. P. MORGAN & COMPANY - Wall and Broad Streets. The House of J. P. Morgan, one of the most powerful financial houses in the world, was founded by John Pierpont Morgan in 1895 after 38 years of successful banking experience as a partner in other firms.

WALL STREET EXPLOSION - At 12:01 noon September 16, 1920 a wagon load of dynamite exploded in front of the Sub-Treasury Building killing 30 people and injuring 200. Although a reward of \$100,000 is still offered for the apprehension of the guilty person or persons, the mystery remains unsolved.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE - 20 Broad Street. Founded in 1792 by twenty-four brokers who met daily under a buttonwood tree on Wall Street. Today the Exchange has 1375 members and lists almost 3000 securities.

TRINITY CHURCH - Broadway and Wall Street. In 1696 the members of the church of England decided to move uptown to the present site. The first building was completed in 1698 and was destroyed in the fire following the Battle of Brooklyn Heights in 1776. The present building was erected in 1846 and is the third to be located on this site. One third of the original land grant made by Queen Anne to the Trinity Church Corporation is worth \$30,765,000 in productive real estate at the present time. In 1939 the church made charitable donations of \$70,000 and paid \$654,051 in taxes. Buried in the churchyard are many well-known people of early colonial days.

DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON - first president of King's College, now known as Columbia University.

WILLIAM BRADFORD - appointed royal printer for the colony in 1693, a position which he held for more than 50 years. Editor of the New York Gazette, the first newspaper to be published in New York.

ALBERT GALLATIN - Secretary of the Treasury under Thomas Jefferson.

ALEXANDER HAMILTON - Secretary of the Treasury under George Washington.

CAPTAIN JAMES LAWRENCE - American naval hero. He is remembered especially for his command "Don't give up the Ship!" in the engagement between the U.S.S. Chesapeake and H.M.S. Shannon in 1813.

RICHARD CHURCH - a five year old boy was first to be buried in the yard in 1861. The tombstone of this child is the oldest in the yard.

DIRECTION: - Take uptown I.R.T. express train at Rector Street and Greenwich Street to 34th Street.

On return to Sloane House Y. M. C. A.
REFRESHMENTS will be served in SERVICE MEN'S LOUNGE
on Second Floor.