

SCHOOLS OF STATE

Annual Statistical Report for Oregon.

BIG INCREASE IN POPULATION

Advance in Salaries of Both Male and Female Teachers—Decrease in Number of Private Schools, but Larger Attendance.

That there has been a heavy immigration to Oregon in the past year is factually shown by the annual report of State Superintendent Ackerman, which shows an increase in the number of school voters from 63,880 in 1901, to 85,145 at the present time. The increased enrollment has called for more pupils and more school room. During the past 12 months 94 schoolhouses were erected, as against 70 for the previous year.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 31.—(Special.)—State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman has completed his statistical report of the schools of the state. The report covers the school year 1901-02, and the statistics will be included in Superintendent Ackerman's biennial report to the State Legislature next January.

The report discloses some interesting facts in connection with the schools of the state. It shows an increase in the school population of the state from 138,315 in 1901 to 138,466 at the date of the report, which has just been completed. In the same length of time the enrollment has increased from 57,745 to 109,635. The increased enrollment has called for the employment of additional teachers. In the year just closed the number of teachers was increased from 4003 to 4310. Of that number of instructors employed in the schools of the state, 1436 have either state certificates or diplomas; 998 have first grade certificates; 880 have second grade; 538 hold third grade; 45 are equipped with primary certificates, and 393 have teachers' permits. During the past year 177 applicants took the examination for teachers' certificates, and of that number 432 failed to pass. In a year the number of private schools in the state has decreased from 133 to 705, while the number of pupils attending these schools has increased from 6591 to 7416. The number of teachers in private schools has decreased from 439 to 371. The appended table gives some statistics as to school population, enrollment, etc.:

COUNTY.	No. of pupils in 1901.	No. of pupils in 1902.	No. of teachers in 1901.	No. of teachers in 1902.
Baker	5,273	5,778	1,230	1,459
Benton	1,215	1,261	273	313
Clackamas	7,640	8,523	1,405	1,559
Clatsop	2,962	2,901	566	582
Columbia	1,735	1,845	351	378
Cook	3,834	3,844	747	875
Crook	1,252	896	271	296
Curry	1,252	896	271	296
Douglas	5,235	4,256	1,118	1,213
Gilliam	1,188	1,256	239	247
Grant	1,735	1,845	351	378
Harney	1,007	881	185	232
Jackson	4,957	5,457	1,500	1,645
Josephine	1,735	1,845	351	378
Klamath	1,072	1,263	206	213
Lake	968	1,263	206	213
Lane	1,735	1,845	351	378
Lincoln	1,239	859	224	244
Linn	6,536	5,301	1,211	1,290
Malheur	1,239	859	224	244
Marion	9,388	5,767	1,899	271
Morrow	1,735	1,845	351	378
Multnomah	26,872	29,007	5,232	5,811
Polk	3,303	2,772	641	149
Sherman	1,239	859	224	244
Tillamook	1,239	859	224	244
Umatilla	6,045	4,462	1,190	297
Union	5,908	4,370	1,130	141
Wallowa	1,239	859	224	244
Wasco	4,959	3,713	1,116	169
Washington	5,673	4,541	1,190	141
Wheeler	1,239	859	224	244
Yamhill	4,772	3,819	707	1,073
Total	138,400	138,466	28,483	31,015

Of the 212 school districts in the state, representing 215 schoolhouses, 290 have reported as required. Ninety-four new buildings were erected during the year, as against 79 last year. Superintendent Ackerman's report indicates a larger population in the state for the reason that in the past year the number of legal voters for school purposes has increased from 63,880 to 85,145. An advance in the salaries of both male and female teachers is observed. Last year the average monthly salary paid male teachers was \$44.47, while the average for the year just ended was \$47.55. In the same time the compensation of female teachers was increased from \$35 to \$37.60 average salary per month. The estimated valuation of the schoolhouses and buildings in the state is \$1,115,400, with furniture and apparatus valued at \$448,824.28, and upon which insurance to the amount of \$1,257,067.50 is carried. The receipts increased from \$1,256,927.22 to \$1,333,074.93, and a corresponding advance is noticed in the matter of expenses, which were \$1,999,907.45, as against \$1,461,070.23. The balance increased from \$1,256,927.22 to \$1,333,074.93, and a corresponding advance is noticed in the matter of expenses, which were \$1,999,907.45, as against \$1,461,070.23. The balance increased from \$1,256,927.22 to \$1,333,074.93, and a corresponding advance is noticed in the matter of expenses, which were \$1,999,907.45, as against \$1,461,070.23.

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