

STATISTICAL SEARCHLIGHT TURNED ON AMERICAN CITIES BY REED COLLEGE STUDENTS

Comparative Value of Portland's Dollar; Revelations on Church Attendance and Bachelorhood Among Civic Matters Investigated

RANK OF CITIES

Table with 10 columns: Spoken English, Illiteracy, Pupils to Teacher, Teachers' Salaries, School Property, School Attendance, Public Property, Fire Loss, Parks, Child Labor, Church Members, Infant Mortality, Death Rates, Cost of Living, Wage Rates. Lists cities like Seattle, Salt Lake City, Denver, Los Angeles, Washington, Portland, etc.

Portland Is Shown by the Survey to Be in the Front Rank of American Cities as a Desirable Habitat

Table with 2 columns: COST OF LIVING (Index numbers of retail selling prices of various food commodities in 1914) and ILLITERACY (Percentage of population ten years old and over unable to write in 1910).

Table with 2 columns: WAGE RATES (Average rates of union wages in cents per hour in ten trades in 1914) and DEATH RATES (Death rates per 1000 population in 1911, corrected to a standard age and sex distribution).

They vary in length like segments of old-style macaroni, but their course across the pages of the Reed College Record runs true as a plumbline...

Seattle, 215; Salt Lake City, 215; Denver, 215; Los Angeles, 241; Washington, D. C., 244; Portland, 242; Minneapolis, 245; Cincinnati, 257; San Francisco, 270.

From the mass of statistics through which undergraduates of Reed College solved, in their successful design to determine scientifically the moot matter of which American city...

shows a percentage of 58.4, based upon the married population 25 years and over in 1910. The leading nine cities of heart and home are: Cleveland, 73.7; Milwaukee, 71.9; Newark, 71.5; Detroit, 71.5; Salt Lake City, 71.4; Birmingham, 70.9; Scranton, 70.5; Chicago, 70.2; Indianapolis, 70.0.

Table with 2 columns: WAGE RATES and DEATH RATES. Lists cities and their corresponding wage and death rates.

Many Points Considered. Thirty-six cities passed under scrutiny, and were judged by the Reed College students on 19 important phases of municipal betterment—wage rates, cost of living, death rates, infant mortality, population, church membership, child labor, parks, pavements, fire loss, public properties, circulation of libraries, etc.

Church Membership Figures Given. There should be high explosives for local pulpits available in the discovery that Portland, of 36 American cities, ranks least in the percentage of church membership, with 273 worshippers as contrasted with Louisville's congregation of 452.

Providence Works Children. While church attendance in Providence, for instance, is exceedingly high, that city holding second place in the pew, child labor is also prevalent, with a percentage of 13.2, between the ages of 10 and 15 years for 1910.

Atlanta Parks Few. In Providence there is room for the most ample citizen that ever dreamed of. The recreation of the city is for that city leads with 119.9 square yards per inhabitant.

War Times Not Considered. It may be remarked that the statistics utilized in the survey range from 1910 to 1915 in the case of most of the prevailing conditions. To this criticism it is replied by the compilers that the figures used are a better measure of normal conditions than figures for the past three years would be, because they are free from the disturbing and temporary influences of the war.

Cost Cities Lead. These cost-of-living statistics were based on the retail selling prices of 17 food commodities during 1914 and placed Minneapolis in prominence as the place where a dollar will roll farthest. The standings of the first nine cities, respectively, are as follows: Minneapolis, 92.7; St. Paul, 94.3; Denver, 96.2; Los Angeles, 97.6; Cincinnati, 97.7; Detroit, 98.1; St. Louis, 98.3; Buffalo, 98.8; Portland, Or., 100.

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BRITISH WOMEN OF DISTINGUISHED TITLE PROMINENT IN WAR SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Countess of Lisburne Promotes Raising of Funds for Wounded—Countess of Annesley and Lady Elcho Identified With Hospital Work—Mrs. Jane B. Christie, American Nurse, Specially Mentioned for Bravery.



Countess of Annesley, Madame de Stoeckl, Lady Elcho

THE Countess of Lisburne is in active service with the British army, as are thousands of other British women of high and low degree. She is noted among the younger peeresses of Great Britain for her great beauty, being of a striking Spanish type.

Working in the ambulance service for which her husband gave his life on the battlefields of France, Lady Elcho is serving as a nurse in Rutland Hospital, England. Lord Elcho, who was heir to his father, the 11th Earl of Wemyss, was named among the dead in the British casualty list of May 2, 1916.

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