

What's in a Name?

Census Takers Finding Out

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Census takers are now making their rounds asking all of our names. Sounds like a simple job. But it really isn't. Those who collect names as a hobby know that the census enumerators work in a field filled with pitfalls. So, it seems in order to give these enumerators some gratuitous advice.

Suppose, Mr. Enumerator, a fellow tells you he is John Burns. Don't let it go at that. His given name may not be John at all but Jan, Jon, Jhan—or even Ian.

And that "Burns" well could turn out to be Berns, Birns, Burnes or Byrnes.

Of course, there is no need to warn you if you already know someone named Pearce, Pearse, Pearce, Peirce or just plain Pierce.

You can't be too careful about spelling.

You'll run across many O'Keefes but don't run too fast lest you stumble on an O'Keefe.

And—watch it now—you're likely to find both Waggoners and Wagners in Wagoner, Okla.

You'll learn that it's the little things that count. A relatively small number of citizens, Vera-Ellen Rohe among them, insist upon a hyphen.

You can print eden abheez in small letters from start to finish. He prefers it that way.

Names are something like clothing. People can wear any combination they wish. Edward Everett Horton and Edna St. Vincent Millay wear three on even the hottest days. Joe E. Brown and John L. Lewis wear the coat and pants, and leave the fancy vest—Evan and Llewellyn—at home.

Enumerators the last time out came up with some unique combinations indeed. Such as Carbon Petroleum Dubbs, Early Christmas Bennett and States Rights Finley.

Collectors will be poised to pounce on names distinctive as those. They'll be wondering, too, if times has made any changes in war-time names.

Remember two babies born the day the invasion of France

began? One was called Invasia Mae Renfrow and the other Dee Day Edwards. There also was a lad christened SteVen. The "V" capitalized, was for victory.



When you ask some folks for their given names, they will tell you they haven't any. You'll just have to put down J. R. Boone and X. Y. Zeebwyter, and go on to the next question. There is nothing you or they can do about it now anyway.

One thing that will work in your favor is the law of averages. The long names and the short names will balance. For every Subrahmanyam Chandrasekhar there is a Casper Ooms. And for every Rexal Fearnough there is a Hugh Blue.

If you encounter Last Gale First, don't go into a routine that starts: "Give me your last name first." It's been done before. Just keep in mind that the first comes last.

The best way to avoid confusion is to take names one at a time. That system will stand you in good stead when you get to Oscar Oliver Over and Oliver Oscar Over.

It's easy to get names mixed. For instance, there's a Carmen Cavallaro and a Carmen Cavallero. But you'll be able to tell one from the other if you re-

Amity Students Stage Style Show

Amity — The Amity high school home economics department staged a style show recently at the high school gymnasium before a group of 75 spectators.

Patrons were given an opportunity to view the new drapes and book shelves made by the girls, made possible through money obtained from the Sears Roebuck Educational Foundation fund.

Miss Lydia Woheman acted as commentator while the garments ranging from colorful dirndl skirts and blouses to sports wear and a two-piece suit, were shown.

One child's outfit was shown by little Miss Linda Ponsford. The Home Economics club served refreshments during the afternoon.

member this simple fact. One of them plays the piano.

That's all, Mr. Enumerator, except when you get to Racine, Wis., please find out if there really is a person named Oofy Goolfy Bowman.

Princess Puffs On Cigarette Again in Public

London, April 13 (AP) — A young man took Princess Margaret to the theater and she smoked another cigarette in public.

It happened Tuesday night at the Victoria Palace, where the Crazy Gang, a pack of zany comedians, is performing in "Knights of Madness."

The 19-year-old Princess' escort was the Marquess of Blandford, who will be 24 tomorrow.

At intermission she took advantage of the British custom that permits smoking in auditoriums. She stayed in her seat—downstairs with a lot of smokers—and had a cigarette in a holder.

Lately she has smoked on other occasions when the public was on hand to watch.

The public has taken it rather calmly.

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