

NATION'S POPULATION ESTIMATED 91,424,423

Figures Are Also Given on Greater New York and Other Cities.

There is much speculation as to what the official figures will show the population of the entire United States to be by the present census. The census office unofficially estimates the increase of population since 1900 at 15.12103 per cent. This makes the estimated total population of the country 91,424,423.

The unofficial estimate for Greater New York is 4,563,603, an increase since 1900 of 1,125,401. The population of Chicago is estimated at 2,282,926. Other estimated totals are: Philadelphia, 1,540,429; St. Louis, 698,716; Baltimore, 583,374; Washington, 350,145; New Orleans, 332,132.

Cleveland is credited with having 520,993 inhabitants, Cincinnati with 354,012; Buffalo with 401,535; Denver with 159,226; Pittsburgh, including Allegheny, with 569,923; Indianapolis with 250,036; St. Paul with 229,869, and Kansas City with 194,788.

Building Mountain Roads.

Other developments are well along. Three miles of road have been built to connect with the county road, at present the best piece of road between the mine and the railroad. A sawmill has been in operation for the past five months. One-half mile of 14-inch pipe line has been laid to convey water for power, of which there is an abundance. A power plant has been installed, an electric light plant, and an air-compressor. Air drills are in operation. Ventilation apparatus for clearing the mine of smoke quickly after each blast has been installed. A retaining dam, ore cribs, blacksmith shop, boarding house and bunk houses have been built.

The finances of this mine are in good condition, for the conservative policy of the management is not to go in debt, or contract bills till it has the money to pay them, and for that reason the last block of stock is now being sold for the purpose of buying the machinery for reducing the ore at the mine. The company owns nine claims, has abundant water power and timber for all its needs for years to come.

Reported Discovery of Kate Bender.

A dispatch from Kiovisia, Cal., says that Mrs. Gavin, who recently died in that place, was no less a personage than Kate Bender, the daughter of William Bender, of Kansas, who had a private graveyard of his own. He kept a road house near Cherry, and many people were killed by him while they were entertained there. Among others Dr. York, who disappeared from his neighborhood and his friends made a search for him and, having some suspicion of the Bender place, they went there, but found no one at home. A careful investigation resulted in finding the body of Doctor York and seven or eight other bodies were also discovered buried in the garden. The authorities moved promptly in the matter but failed to find any of the Benders. Kate was at that time about 22 years old and she disappeared with her father and mother. Col. A. M. York, a brother of the doctor, organized a posse and went in pursuit of the murderers, and after several days returned, reporting that they had been unsuccessful, but this was not believed and very many people living in the Cherryvale district were satisfied that the Benders had met their doom and they still think so. It would be hard to make any of those people believe that Mrs. Gavin was Kate Bender. These events occurred in either 1872 or 1873.

An International Event.

A dispatch from Tucson, Ariz., says that 10,000 persons were in that city to attend the ceremonies occasioned by the opening of the new international railroad, named the Tucson and Western Coast of Mexico. Governors Luis Torres, of Sonora, Diego Rado, of Sinaloa, and Richard E. Sloan, of Arizona, and General E. R. Thomas, commanding the department of Colorado, were official guests. Greetings were received from Presidents Taft and Diaz.

Completed His Walk on Time.

Edward Payson Weston has completed his walk from Santa Monica, Cal., to New York, from which place he started on February 1, 1910, bearing a letter from Mayor George Alexander, of Los Angeles, to Mayor Gaynor, of New York, making the distance of 3,500 miles across the continent in 78 days. Mr. Weston

was 71 years old on March 15. He has been walking all his life.

It is said that Weston looked about twenty pounds lighter than when he started from New York last January to go by rail to California. Since he left Santa Monica, the aged pedestrian has been handicapped by a number of accidents. In Arizona he fell through a trestle and severely injured his left leg, but continued his walk. On March 22, one week after his 71st birthday, he was twice overcome by the heat. After leaving Chicago, he encountered wet weather, but ended his journey 12 days ahead of schedule.

A Jungle Land Fable.

Young Kermit Roosevelt, who has shown himself to be a good hunter, a lucky amateur photographer and a "stayer," now breaks in as a story teller. He recounts a tale told by an African bearer on one of the long marches. It is a story of a spider who needed money. He borrowed 1000 crowies from the dog and 1000 more from the hyena. When pay day came the dog presented himself to collect the money due.

"All right, brother," said the spider, "your money is ready. But listen! I hear a noise. It's the hyena. Quick, under the table with you."

The dog hid under the table just as the hyena entered, sniffing. "Pay me," demanded the hyena. "Wait, I smell a dog."

"Under the table, brother," said the spider. "Eat him up, and consider your debt paid."

And this was the origin of Wall Street.

Teaching by Picture Methods.

The schools of Grants Pass should be provided with a set of films along educational lines, as by no other means can certain important subjects be so successfully brought to the full comprehension in an educational way as by the film methods. If it is not practical to supply our schools with these modern methods, perhaps the management of one of our electric theaters can be induced to supply his house with a full set of films and these can be used Saturdays and advertised so that the school children and others interested can have an opportunity to follow these illustrated subjects. This will make the theater that will undertake to supply the need popular among the families who are fortunate to have children.

One of these films was exhibited at a theater in Portland last month and attracted much attention among all classes. This is what was said in one of the newspapers at the time regarding the exhibit of one of the films:

"This is worth all the lectures, all the tuberculosis exhibits, and most of the pamphlets," exclaimed Dr. G. S. White, state health officer today as he watched a film at the Bijou theater, which shows the way the deadly housefly accomplishes destruction.

"Yes," exclaimed Dr. Ralph C. Matson, state bacteriologist, who was also a spectator, "this is the finest method of popular education that I have ever seen. No housewife seeing these pictures would ever tolerate flies again, nor the dirt in which they breed."

The managers of the theater announced that the film was to be shown in every city of the United States, but that its appearance in Portland today was the first in the country.

Flies magnified many times could be seen industriously drinking from the consumptive's spittoon, then flying to the nipple of baby's milk bottle to leave the germs there for her next meal. "I saw just such a sight at the county poor farm not more than two weeks ago," said Dr. Matson.

When the physicians saw pictured flies lay eggs in putrified meat, the eggs hatched as maggots, then developed into millions of full grown flies, they ceased to wonder that the fly is estimated to cost this country \$355,000,000 each year. Another part of the film showed where the flies entered putrid fish only to fly directly to the sugar bowl on the family dining table.

Personally Pay War Claim.

After the United States senate had refused to allow the claim of Mrs. Ellen V. C. Farris, of Lancaster, Ky., for \$1000 damages to her home when she turned it into a hospital for Union soldiers during the Civil war, the senators as individuals made up a purse of the amount asked.

This is a rather remarkable incident to have occurred in the United States senate. The circumstances connected with the taking possession of the property of Mrs. Farris are withheld from publication so that nothing further can be said regarding the case.

SHASTA LIMITED HAS A SERIOUS WRECK

Tender and Six Cars Derailed Near Eugene—Crew and Passengers Not Injured.

The northbound Shasta Limited train was derailed at Judkin's Point, half a mile east of Eugene's city limits, Monday. The accident occurred on a fill where the heavy rains of the previous night had softened the road bed and allowed the rails to spread. The tender first jumped the track, followed by the baggage and express cars, diner and three Pullmans. Strangely enough, the engine remained on the rails, although the cars tipped at an angle varying from 20 to 45 degrees. Had they turned over they would have been precipitated down an embankment 15 feet high and doubtless crushed, with attendant heavy loss of life. As it was, no one was injured beyond a general shaking up. Wrecking crews were called from Roseburg and Portland.

AN ARMY OF CLOWNS WILL BE HERE

The Great Sells-Floto Shows Consolidated present along with their comedy department this year numerous prominent jesters, commonly called "clowns." Lon Moore is the principal jester and associated with him are 45 kings of the clowning world. Along with these funny chaps others also assist with comical antics. When intermingling with citizens on the street none of them would be suspected of wearing the loose robes of the fool, but when they are in the ring with their make-ups on, they laugh and the crowd laughs with them. A jolly lot, and they have certainly helped to unload at least temporarily the cares from the minds of thousands of people.

Clowning is an art of itself, the best clowns are born, not made. The fun making department of the Great Sells-Floto Show is fully up to the high standard of its other departments; in fact, many a person will testify to the statement that the clowns with this show are worth the price of admission. Their work is appreciated, as the present strenuous life of most people causes them to relish a little pure nonsense now and then.

Everything in all departments of the Sells-Floto Circus this year is positively new, refreshing and up-to-date. The big show will exhibit in Grants Pass Tuesday, May 17.

Boys Will Be Boys

and are always getting scratches, cuts, sprains, bruises, bumps, burns or scalds. Don't neglect such things—they may result serious if you do. Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment according to directions right away and it will relieve the pain and heal the trouble. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by the National Drug Store.

PASTOR DENOUNCES POPULAR AMUSEMENTS

Evangelist Would Bar Cards, Theater and Dancing—Likes Baseball and Tennis.

Rev. William J. Lockhart, who is conducting a revival in St. Louis, denounces all amusements except those which have a moral uplift of health giving effect. His denunciation of the theater, card club and dance was severe. He gave baseball his approval as long as the game is kept clean of gambling and added the hope that it would soon be divorced from Sunday. He also approved of the games and amusements fostered by the church gymnasiums and advocated more amusement and less work for the average of the American people. Tennis he especially approved.

The theater was condemned "because it had become impure" and because of the frivolity of the average attractions. He declared that if the stage could be elevated it could be made a great power for good. He was especially severe on cards, saying, in part:

"Here are beautiful decorated parlors. The furnishings are all that money can buy; the floral decorations are gorgeous; the air is filled with perfume, and the room is filled with beautifully gowned women at an afternoon card club. The prize is a handsome cut glass water pitcher. On the mahogany tables are the cards—the same cards known to every gambler the world around; the same cards the old drunken bum pulls out of his pockets as he plays for a drink of booze.

"In the back end of a saloon is another gang. It's a bunch of old down-and-outers, and around the dark table they curse and drink as they play for a jack pot. What is the difference between these two crowds? I'll tell you. Out here is

where the journey begins; down there is where it ends.

"The tragic thing about this card club craze is that it does not stop with the women, but the children are taught to play and the young people are rung in to fill out a game, and the men are sometimes even 'allowed' to play. And so the card club becomes the school, the technical school, from which the gambler graduates. Of 3,200 gamblers arrested in Chicago following the world's fair, nine-tenths testified they learned the game in the home and eight-tenths in so-called Christian homes."

GRANTS PASS WEATHER.

Following is a summary of the weather observation at Grants Pass during the month of April, 1910, as reported by J. B. Paddock, local voluntary observer for the Oregon State Weather Service:

	TEMPERATURE			Prec. Ins.
	Max.	Min.	Range	
1	64	40	24	
2	57	42	15	.01
3	62	31	31	
4	77	27	50	
5	75	34	21	
6	69	43	26	.01
7	65	35	30	
8	74	31	43	
9	68	45	23	.11
10	62	47	14	
11	67	46	21	.04
12	65	35	30	
13	61	40	21	
14	71	27	44	
15	80	29	51	
16	82	36	46	
17	88	37	51	
18	89	40	49	.03
19	75	39	36	
20	70	46	24	
21	82	37	45	
22	91	38	53	
23	92	41	51	
24	91	38	53	
25	81	39	42	
26	66	33	33	
27	68	31	37	
28	70	43	27	
29	55	36	19	.44
30	61	41	20	.13

Summary: Mean temperature 55; maximum temperature 92, date, 23; minimum temperature 27, date 4 and 14; total precipitation 78 inches; clear 10 days; partly cloudy 12 days; cloudy 8 days; direction prevailing wind southwest.

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SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO SELL OIL LANDS

It has been announced in New York that the Southern Pacific railroad is preparing to sell its holding of oil lands, which, it is roughly estimated, are worth \$100,000,000. It says that the proceeds of the sale will be distributed among the stockholders. This seems altogether an incredible statement, as the oil furnishes the fuel to run the railroad. To sell these oil lands would seem to be bad business policy.

Mother Sued by Daughter.

Chicago furnishes a really first-class sensation. It is said the daughters of the intrepid Capt. Calbrick, who died in 1907, have filed a petition in the superior court asking that their mother, Mrs. Katherine Calbrick-Harley, be restrained from spending the remainder of the Calbrick estate on girlish finery and the entertainment of her young spouse, Alfred Harley. The daughters allege that although their mother is 63 years of age she married a man

twenty years her junior when she might have married his father. We would advise our readers not to mix up in this affair, for no matter which side you take you are certain to be wrong and would get into trouble.

Kisses Sold for Charity.

A party of young women connected with one of the leading churches of Omaha went to the live Stock exchange a few days ago to sell tickets to a charity entertainment. They found that they had come to a poor market, for after canvassing the entire building not a ticket was sold and they were about retiring when Rudolf Franklin came to their rescue with a suggestion that selling kisses with tickets thrown in would be a better paying business. The challenge was accepted and \$5 named as a kiss price. The girls soon netted the snug little sum of \$105. Selling kisses may be all right in Omaha, but please excuse us, as the price is pretty high, unless the commodity is of an excellent brand.

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