

COUNTING UNCLE SAMUEL'S FAMILY

This is the Year When the Census Man Makes His Rounds; Questions He Will Ask and Why.

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Uncle Sam will begin to count his nephews and nieces on the first of April, 1930, and this year he is going to find out a lot more about them than has been known before.

Some time during the month of April an enumerator of the United States Census Bureau will call at every dwelling in the nation and ask the head of the family twenty-four questions. Some of them might be considered impertinent if asked by a stranger, or even by a neighbor, but the Census enumerators are under oath not to disclose any facts learned by them except in their official reports.

So don't think it is impertinence when the census-taker asks your age! Uncle Sam wants to know, not your individual age but the average of all of the people.

Whether you live on a farm or in a town, whether you are white, black, red or yellow, male or female, married or unmarried, able to read and write, where you were born and where your parents were born, when you came to America if you are an immigrant, what your native language was and whether you can speak English are questions the reasons for which are clear enough.

Everybody who is employed will be asked to give his trade or occupation and the particular industry in which he or she works, or if working on his own account or as an employer, to say so.

Another new question will be whether you own your home. In a general way the proportion of home-owners has been estimated in the past, but nobody has ever had exact figures. The figures have a decided bearing on the important subject of our national prosperity.

Another new census question is whether you own a radio set. Nothing could better illustrate the speed with which new inventions take hold, once they strike the public fancy.

For the first time, the census-taker will ask how old you were at your first marriage. The information will be more important ten years from now than it is now, because the second set of answers to it, in 1940, will disclose whether the average age of marriage is getting older or younger.

You will be asked whether you have attended school or college since last September. The figures for education have been climbing steadily ever since the first census was taken.

are still climbing, but how fast? And as a final question every one of Uncle Sam's nephews will be asked whether he has served as a soldier, sailor or marine in any war in which his country was involved.

The census is the oldest of all our Federal bureaus, as old as Congress and the Presidential office and the judiciary, for it was set up in the Constitution itself, which requires that the inhabitants be counted every ten years.

The first census, taken in 1790, showed fewer than four million inhabitants in the new nation; 3,929,214, to be exact. We passed the 25 million mark between 1850 and 1860; by 1880 we had almost exactly 50 million, and forty years later, in 1920, we had doubled that figure with 105,710,620 persons living in Continental United States.

Generally speaking, is requires from 15 to 20 pounds of garbage to produce one pound of pork. There is no known method of keeping strawberries bearing year after year without resetting. Two or three years is the average profitable period.

Oak is the best wood available in Oregon for the smoke house fire, but willow, or any of the fruit tree woods are good. As it is best to keep the temperature below 120 degrees Fahrenheit, it has been found a good practice to use some hard wood saw dust on the fire, says the experiment station.

A common way to store cured pork is to wrap it in paper and put it in a bin of oats, says the Oregon Experiment station. It may also be wrapped in paper and hung in muslin sacks in a cool room.

Miss Gertrude Tichenor, a student of La Grande Normal school, is home during vacation visiting friends and relatives of Alpine.

Miss Helen Doherty of Blackhorse was being visited by Miss Ruth Bennett over the week end.

Everyone enjoyed the dance Friday night at Doherty's. Mrs. George Lambirth was a guest of Mrs. G. L. Bennett Thursday.

The Melville, Bennett and Lambirth families were Christmas dinner guests of Mrs. Anna Schmidt. Claude Wade was a business visitor at the G. L. Bennett ranch on Monday.

Grover Sibley, Ruth Bennett, Helen Doherty were in Pendleton Sunday evening. G. L. Bennett and Arthur Schmidt were Heppner visitors Monday.

Mrs. Schmidt and son Alfred and daughter Mildred were guests at the Bennett home Sunday evening. Mrs. G. W. Lambirth and daughter Celatha were in Pendleton from Sunday to Tuesday.

HARDMAN.

Mrs. Harvey Harshman and family were visiting friends and relatives in town Sunday.

Victor and Alfred Lovgren were visiting in town Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McDaniel spent the Christmas vacation visiting their daughter, Mrs. Bud Fisk, at Arlington.

Miss Cecil Stevens spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Buschke are visiting Mrs. Buschke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Steers.

Lloyd and Everett Harshman and Miss Edna Lovgren spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. Walter Farrens.

Mrs. Tyndal Robison was calling on friends here Saturday.

Osel Inskeep of Ione is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Add Inskeep, this week.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the I. O. O. F. hall for the late Henry Cramer.

Mrs. Ethel McDaniel took her little son to Heppner Monday to consult a doctor for some trouble he has been having with his ears.

Victor Johnson is quite sick at the home of G. A. Farrens, suffering a severe attack of the flu.

No show at Star Theater next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. See ad.

HUMORETTES.

Chaplain: Didn't you consider your future, young man, when you embezzled that money?

Convict: Yes, sir. I put it straight into the savings bank.

"Why are you looking so fed-up?" "I bought a book called 'How to Make Love,' and now I don't know what to do."

"Why?" "Well, it says you take the girl's hand, look into her eyes, and say: 'I love you, Beatrice.'"

"What's wrong with that?" "My girl's name is Lizzie."

Registrar: But, madam, the law requires that I shall record all previous marriages before issuing a new license.

Film Star: Good gracious! And I've got a taxi waiting outside!

Broker: I have bought you 500 shares of common stock, madam.

Mrs. Witzwalter: Well, I don't want them. What on earth would my friends say if they knew I'd got anything common?

Husband: You accuse me of reckless extravagance. When did I ever make a useless purchase?

Wife: What about that fire extinguisher you bought a year ago? We've never used it once.

Clergyman (at the dairy): "Regarding the milk you deliver here—"

Milkman (uneasily): "Yes, sir?" "I just wanted to say that I use the milk for drinking and not for christening."

Gerald: "Jane's very romantic, isn't she?"

Gregory: "Yes, she wants every declaration of love to have a ring in it."

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Charles Klinger of Lexington came to Heppner today to attend to business matters.

C. Melville, Alpine ranchman, is looking after business here today.

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They will return for the opening of school.

Harry Yarnall, who is one of our winter trappers, reports that he has sixty-four animals to his credit. Thus far he has not made many sales, not being satisfied with the prices offered.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harbison of Eugene visited from Thursday night until Saturday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harbison at their home in Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Ely and two daughters from Monmouth, spent the holiday vacation with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely, on the ranch near Morgan. George Ely and son Francis of Ione were invited guests at the Christmas dinner.

J. H. Young of Hood River was a dinner guest at the J. W. Howk home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Swenson and two children and Roland Wade, all of Walla Walla, arrived the first of last week to help the E. J. Bristow family eat the Christmas turkey.

Mrs. Wrex Hicock of Portland spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Moore.

The Lexington town basketball team met the Ione team on the local floor Saturday evening. The final score was 22-18 in favor of Lexington.

Christmas guests at the Blain Blackwell home were Mr. and Mrs. Brose Ford of Pendleton. When Mr. and Mrs. Ford returned to their home they were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell who remained in the Umatilla county seat for a few days' visit.

Mrs. Rosa Jackson informs us that on December 15 there was born to her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. La Vern Jackson of Oakland, Calif., a baby son, weighing six pounds and ten ounces. The little fellow has been given the name of Clinton Grover. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are well known here.

Mrs. Earl Wright and children of Baker arrived Friday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Grabbil.

Mrs. Zelma Kennedy is a house guest in the C. W. Swanson home. Mrs. Kennedy was a teacher in the Ione school last year and this year is teaching in Aberdeen, Washington. She came here from Helix where she had spent Christmas with her sister.

Mrs. W. E. Bullard enjoyed an over-Christmas visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Frohn, and their daughter Alberta, from Hood River.

Through relatives of the bride we learn of the marriage on December 14 of Mrs. Mary Barlow and Mr. Harris Sowers of Clearmont, Mo.

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They were married at the home of Mrs. Sowers' niece, Mrs. P. O. Grieve at Clarinda, Iowa, and will make their home at Clearmont. Mrs. Sowers is well known here, having been a resident of Morrow county for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Sowers have the best wishes of a host of friends in Oregon.

Work was resumed last week on the Ione-Boardman road. Last week Louis Balsiger, wheat buyer for Ealfour, Guthrie company, contracted for 2500 bushels of Hen-

ry Gorgor's next year's crop. The price paid was \$1.10. Mrs. Chas. Battersby has as guests her mother, Mrs. Chas. Anderson, and her sister, Miss Mildred Anderson, whose home is in Portland.

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