

Women Will Take Census, Answer Most Questions

The Census will be coming around in a couple of months — early April, to be exact — and guess who they expect to have all the answers?

The homemaker, because she's the one likely to be at home when the census taker comes.

Not only will women do most of the answering, they'll do most of the asking too, the Institute of Life Insurance reports. The Census Bureau figures that two out of three of its enumerators will be women.

What kind of questions should you expect to be asked?

Actually, there will be plenty of advance notice. Toward the end of March, every household in the United States will receive an "advance census report" by mail, and householders will be requested to fill out the form and have the information ready when the census taker rings the bell.

Many Questions

Census takers will want to know the name, address, sex, race or color, birth date and marital status of every soul in the nation, man, woman and child. And they'll also have several questions about the house you live in.

Don't hesitate to answer freely and accurately. Census takers are generally assigned to houses where they do not know the people; moreover, they are forbidden by law to reveal information to anyone but a sworn employee of the Census Bureau.

Besides, the law states that

everyone over 18 years of age must answer official Census questions.

The Census Bureau uses its information only in a general way. It cannot tell government agencies or anyone else what it has learned about individual persons. Says the law: The Census report cannot be used for purposes of taxation, investigation or regulation.

When the census taker calls, he will leave a "household questionnaire" at every fourth house he visits, to be filled out by the family and mailed back within three days. This form asks for more detailed information about the house itself, and about household members. For example, everyone over the age of 14 will be asked if he (or she) is now working, and where he works; how he gets to work; how long he worked in 1959; and what his income was for the year.

The Census Bureau expects that when all the figures are in, they will confirm this flourishing picture of family life in the United States:

1. Our population has increased more in the last 10 years than in any 10-year period in history. The reason: a sharp rise in the birth rate, and continuing low death rate.
2. A higher proportion of younger people and older people than ever before. The reason: improvement in health at both ends of the scale.
3. An unprecedented increase in the number of married couples. The reason: couples are marrying younger, living together longer.
4. Fewer persons in the average household, even though the number of children in a family has increased. The reason: more older folks, because of better economic conditions, are living by themselves, instead of with their children.
5. More private homes, apartments and trailers to accommodate families.
6. The number of people living on farms is continuing to drop.
7. More women working at outside jobs.

Prince Reads Bible Lesson

London — (UPI) — The 11-year-old Prince of Wales put on his first long pants Sunday night and in a small way began to take on the duties that eventually will confront him as king.

Prince Charles appeared at a post-Christmas church service and read the Bible lesson for the congregation.

It was a first tiny step in the growing-up process.

It was his first quasi-public utterance, and he did a fine job.

His mother, the Queen; his father, Prince Philip; his sister, Princess Anne; his grandmother, the Queen mother; his aunt, Princess Margaret, and a host of ordinary worshippers were in the congregation.

It was a tough spot for a little boy. But London newspapers reported he carried it off well.

It also was a proud and perhaps heart tugging moment for the Queen, as she watched her little boy begin to evolve into a man.

Elementary Schools Teach Three Rs in Two Languages

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New York — (UPI) — Teaching the three Rs in two languages no longer is a novelty in elementary schools.

The Foreign Language Center, founded last July as a clearing house for information on language study, estimates there are about 750,000 children in grades three through six receiving lessons in French, Spanish, Italian, German, or even Russian. About 500 communities have a second language program for the grades, compared with 89 in 1952, says Donald Walsh, center director.

Walsh, who is on leave from Choate School in Connecticut, said that within a few weeks the center hoped to circulate questionnaires in every school district in the nation to find who "is studying language, what language, in what grades, and the number enrolled." The study would be made under provisions of the National Defense Education Act.

Most programs, he said, begin the second language studies in the third grade — "where any language is simple."

"Of course they don't begin with vocabulary and sentence structure; that comes later, after the children have gotten into grammar. But they learn in a situation . . . kids invent language anyway, you know. And the fidelity of their accent is wonderful."

Young Learn Easily

"The young are not self-conscious," said Walsh, in an interview. "Adolescence is the worst time in the world to begin the second language. The child is self-conscious. He is afraid he will make a fool of himself."

"He can imitate easily when he is nine or 10 . . . at that age, he has not decided that everything has to sound like

English. Bread can just as well be 'pain' (French)."

One of the first school systems to begin language at the grade level is Somerville, N.J., where elective classes in Spanish and French from the third grade up have been offered since 1949.

Doris Chamberlain, a teacher for 25 years and chairman of the city's foreign language department, said children "soak up" another language when started early "and by the time they're through high school," she said, "they've had at least nine years in one foreign language. They're ready to start another."

Not all educators agree with Walsh. Miss Chamberlain or other teachers who head similar programs in such communities as Hackensack, N.J., Glastonbury, Conn., and El Paso, Tex.

New York City schools have a program for gifted children. But Dr. J. Wayne Wrightstone, director of education research, said that children of average I.Q. "by and large cannot handle this additional load."

Walsh said that schools inaugurating foreign language courses in all cases had had full support of parents and PTA but "often have run into opposition from school boards because hiring good teachers costs money."

"And good language teachers," he added, "are the biggest bottleneck."

Bread Tree

The bread and cheese tree is one of the many exotic types of vegetation flourishing on the Caribbean island of Barbados. Popular as a hedge, this tree grows to heights of slightly more than 20 feet. Its fruits is borne on pods that reveal a white bread-like substance, topped by a ring which resembles a red-wrapped Dutch cheese.

Women's News • Social Events



Washington—Miss Nancy Humphrey, eldest daughter of Sen. and Mrs. Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota, poses with fiance, Bruce Solomonson, at the Humphrey home in Washington December 26 where they spent the week end. Their engagement was formally announced Sunday, Miss Humphrey is a nursing student in Minneapolis, and Mr. Solomonson, a long-time family friend, is also from Minneapolis. —(UPI Telephoto)

Open House Honors Couple On Wedding Anniversary

Sams Valley—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bigham of the Sams Valley-Beagle area were honored December 6 at an open house which observed their silver wedding anniversary. About 100 relatives and friends attended the event, held at the couple's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bigham, the couple's son and daughter-in-law, planned the event.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bigham's two sons, Clifford and Lyle, Portland, and Mrs. Bigham's mother, Mrs. Agatha Stephens, Caldwell, Ida.

For the open house Mrs. Bigham wore a dress of aquamarine color with a corsage of red roses and silver ribbon.

Mrs. Ernest Smith made a money tree of manzanita sprayed with silver on which gifts of silver money hung. Mrs. Smith also decorated the

Two Leave

Miss Shirley Rutherford and Miss Karen Paschke spent Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Paschke, 744 Dakota avenue. Both young women are employed at Occidental Life Insurance company, Los Angeles; they returned south Saturday.

Some Spooning

New York — (UPI) — Do you know what your most-used household item is? Spoons, says a sterling silver manufacturer. Spoons are used in a minimum of 50,000 times in the course of a lifetime and more often is passed on from generation to generation.

Ceiling Decor

New York — (UPI) — Turn a sloping ceiling into an asset. Paint it a gay color contrasting with the walls. A low ceiling will appear higher if painted a light, cool color, and a high ceiling will seem lower if done in a warm tone.

Beauty Aid

Peoria, Ill. — (UPI) — A terry-cloth beauty cape makes a cover-up for shampooing, combing hair, and applying make-up. It snaps on, is machine washable, and comes in a print of beauty gadgets, bows and flowers.

Everyone's Dish of Tea

New Milford, Conn. — (UPI) — A new teapot is designed to suit different tastes to a "T." It has two spouts and two wells. Tea is put in one side and hot water in the other for the desired strength. The teapot has a six-cup capacity and comes in ivory, canary, or cerulean blue glazed ceramic.

Fish and Wine

When baking salmon, halibut or other fish, baste frequently with chablis or sauterne wine. For a change, poach sole in a white dinner wine and use some of the rich poaching liquid to make a cream sauce to serve over the fish.

Make a hat hanger for a car with a wire coat hanger. Hold it by the hook and pull the crosswire down to form a square. Hang it by the hook at the side of the car, and put the hat in it.

Best Seller Cookbooks Said Much Like People

By JEANNE LESEM
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New York — (UPI) — A 63-year-old American cookbook best-seller is like many of us as we grow older—it has gained weight and changed eating habits.

Just what the changes were I learned by examining first and fourth editions of "The Boston Cooking-School Cookbook" and the new tenth edition, "The All New Fannie Farmer Boston Cooking School Cookbook" (Little, Brown).

The 567-page first edition weighs 3/4 of a pound less than the latest 596-page, 2 1/4-pound edition.

But its many rich recipes

indicate that diners of the period were no lightweights. One of the longest chapters deals with batters and fritters. In the latest edition, only 10 fritter and batter recipes appear.

Gingerbread, cookies and wafers rated an entire chapter in the first edition. And nearly 60 frozen desserts were listed, long before electric freezers existed.

Perhaps the biggest change in eating habits is reflected in the large number of foreign recipes in the current edition, compared with only a few in earlier editions.

Recipes were fancier when great-grandma was a girl, but, surprisingly, not as elaborate as in the mid-1920's. The fourth edition, reprinted six times by 1925, went in for good disguises.

Hard-cooked eggs sometimes masqueraded as apples or pears. Two recipes told how to accomplish this magic. Just press a hot, hard-cooked egg between thumb and forefinger until it assumes the desired shape. Hold it under cold, running water, of course. That way, presumably only the tips of your fingers are burned. The remodeled eggs were then tinted with vegetable dyes and trimmed with cloves and flower leaves to resemble fruit.

Although such recipes sound pretentious today, we owe Miss Farmer one great debt. She is credited with introducing level measurements after generations of cooks had struggled with vague "teacup of flour" directions and wondered why they sometimes didn't have their "usual luck with the biscuit."

Only one other standard American cookbook has achieved best-selling status along with Miss Farmer's. Both hers and "The Joy of Cooking," by Irma S. Rombauer and Marion Rombauer Becker, have sold more than three-million copies each.

Other noteworthy cookbooks published recently include "The General Foods Kitchens Cookbook" (Random House), with many recipes using time-saver ingredients such as frozen and canned foods and packaged mixes.

Three others — "Soy's Cookery Book" (McKay), "Good Cooking" by Nicholas Roosevelt (Harpers) and "Table Topics" by Julian Street (Knopf) — entertain as they instruct.

The Roosevelt book, by one of Teddy's nephews, is recommended for truly creative cooks. Many recipes are guides for the imagination rather than explicit directions.

Street's book, an anecdotal volume about food and drink, is interlarded with simple but delectable-sounding recipes.

"The Classic French Cuisine," by Joseph Donno (Knopf) covers both la haute cuisine and good home cooking. Its no-nonsense approach to the best French food is ideal for both novice and experienced cooks.

Diners' out who can't afford to visit some of America's top restaurants can do the next best thing — make restaurant specialties at home with recipes from "The Diners' Club Cookbook," by Myra Waldo (Farrar, Straus & Cudahy).

Americans Better Shod Than Before

New York — Americans are walking into the Sixties better shod than at any time before, according to the year-end report of Leather Industries of America.

The shoe industry statisticians, closing the books on the Fifties, note that the average person buys three and a half pairs of shoes per year, as compared to three at the end of the Forties. The average woman bought almost five pairs in 1959, as against less than four pairs in 1949.

The American adult male scrims along with only one and three quarters pairs of shoes per year, but his lagging record is more than balanced out by his shoe-conscious teenage daughter. She treats herself to five and a half pairs of shoes annually. Small boys' and girls' shoes average out to between three and four pairs a year.

The cold figures of the record books struck one note to warm the heart of the consumer. The price of shoes again remained one of the most stable items in the family budget. More than 95 percent of all shoes in all categories are in the low-to-medium price bracket, with few price rises over last year, and reductions in many cases.

Improved tanning and shoe manufacturing methods were the main factors that have kept retail shoe prices low during the 1950's, according to Mel Salzman, director of Leather Industries of America.

Among the recent improvements in shoe leathers, Salzman cites washable white leather, crack-proof patent leather, ultra-soft, easy-to-clean suede leather, vastly increased varieties of tannery dyes that have made it possible to color-match shoes with any apparel or accessory color, and revolutionary new chemical and curing treatments that have made leather soles lighter in weight but up to 100 percent more durable than formerly.

Looking back over the entire decade of the 1950's, the report shows that the average price of a pair of shoes is between one and two percentage points above 1949. This is in marked contrast with the approximately 25 percent increase in the overall cost of living in the same 10 years.

Elks Lodge Makes Plans For Annual Holiday Party

Medford Elks lodge is completing plans for the annual New Year's eve dance at the temple. Started about 35 years ago, the dance is usually the largest holiday party in the valley. In 1957, about 700 persons were present for the gala event and in recent years attendance has seldom been below 400 or 500 members and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Morris are chairmen of the party this year and they are assisted by the nine men who made up the last class of initiates, and their wives. On the committee are Mr. and Mrs. Max Paul Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon C. Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Quincy, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Goodman

Island Name

Although beards have become popular in some areas of the Caribbean, the island of Barbados has always been proud of its local variety, which sprouts on trees — and not men's chins. Many scholars attribute the island's name to the great coastal forests of bearded fig trees which were discovered by early explorers. "Los Barbados" means the "bearded ones" in Portuguese, and it is thought Portuguese sailors named the island after the fig trees on its shores. The forests were cleared in the 17th century for the planting of sugar cane, but impressive specimens of the tree still stand.

Tiger Eyes

Paris — (UPI) — French beauty stylists have responded to the call of the wild and come up with a new look — tiger eyes. To create the look, draw a narrow line of black or brown liquid eye liner along the lid near the lashes, extending it up and out at the corner. Then smooth on a gold liner just above, with a fleck of gold dotted inside the corner of the eye. Team the eye make-up with a gold-penciled beauty mark high on the cheek.

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New York — Swedish soprano Birgit Nilsson, whose recent Metropolitan Opera reviews from the critics, uses a prop "love potion" as she toasts the three Tristans who played opposite her in a performance of "Tristan and Isolde" at the Met Monday night. Originally, tenor Ramon Vinay was to have sung Tristan, but at almost the last minute he decided that he didn't feel well enough to sing all three acts of the strenuous opera. Unable to find a replacement, the Met compromised by having Vinay (second from left) Karl Liebel and Albert Da Costa (right) each sing one act of the performance. —(UPI Telephoto)

Christmas Party Held by Guild

Games and gaiety replaced business when Ruth Esther Wesleyan Service guild held the annual Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Anderson, Hillcrest road.

The dense fog outside seemed to intensify the members' pleasure in the bright decorations, the Christmas tree, gifts, the organ music and carol singing.

Mrs. Melvin Ward led devotions, and Mrs. Archie James the games. Miss Voda Brower read a letter from the former Viola Dietrich, member of the group recently married and now living in Alameda, Calif.

Miss Annette Gray, known to thousands of former students for her ability to read aloud, gave, almost from memory, Myra Kelly's story called "A Present for a Lady."

Refreshments were served, buffet style, by Mrs. Lionel Guy, Mrs. Anne Gorby, Mrs. Florence Gilkison and Mrs. Bernice Kunzman.

Returns

Miss Sara Hart returned to San Francisco by air Sunday after spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Robert Hart, 22 Glen Oak court.

CALENDAR

Wednesday: 11 a.m. — Medford Townsend club, Carpenters hall, 123 1/2 West Main st.

Ladens Return From California

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Laden and son, John Jr., returned to their home on Jackson boulevard Sunday night after spending 10 days in Royal Woods, Calif., with the Laden's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Unick and three children, John, Julie and Mary Alice.

John Laden Jr., a junior in electrical engineering at Santa Clara university in California, will spend the remainder of the holidays here, returning to school January 3.

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