

GATHERING OF CENSUS DATA STARTED TODAY

Government Has 35,000 Persons in the Field Obtaining Data on Population and Resources of the Nation—Question List Long.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The fourteenth decennial census began today with 35,000 enumerators engaged in counting men, women and children of the United States and collecting data on the resources of the nation. It is expected that the gathering of data will be completed in two weeks, but the compilation of the figures obtained will require four months.

The federal law compels the census enumerator to get the information required on the census blanks regardless of difficulties. Any citizen refusing to answer the questions propounded or attempting to deceive the census taker is liable to heavy penalty.

The appointments of local enumerators are made by W. A. Terrall of Wasco, Ore., district supervisor. Mrs. Frank Morris is the enumerator for Wards one and two of this city and started work this morning, but as the supervisor has failed to furnish a list of census takers to either the postmaster or press, the list for the county is not known.

Anyway, the public will not be left long in doubt as to the personnel of the enumerating force and every citizen should be prepared to answer the questions they will be asked. Here is a list of the queries:

1. How many members of the family are there living permanently at home?
2. Who is the head of the family? Name in order those most nearly related to the head of the family, beginning with the wife, children in order, (beginning at the eldest,) relatives, boarders, roomers, servants, etc.
3. Give the names of other persons not members of the family who reside permanently with the family.
4. Give age, at last birthday, sex, race of each member of family and other persons, and whether married, single, widowed or divorced.
5. If born in a foreign country, state where and give date of arrival in the United States.
7. Has any member of the family or person residing permanently with the family been naturalized or declared his intention to become a citizen?
8. If so, give the date of naturalization if full citizen; date of first papers if declared intention.
9. Has any member or person residing there permanently attended school of any kind since the first day of September, 1912?
10. Is there any member of the family or other person residing there who cannot read and write some language.
11. Give birthplace of each person, including members of the family who reside there permanently, and their native tongue if foreign born.
12. Give birthplace of the father of each person residing there permanently and his native tongue if foreign-born. Give birthplace of the mother of each person, including members of the family, that reside there permanently and her native tongue if foreign-born.
13. Is there any member of the family or other person residing permanently with the family who does not speak English?
14. What is the occupation or profession of each person, including members of the family residing there permanently?
15. Does the house in which they live belong to some member of the family or is it rented?
16. If house is owned by head of family or by some member of the family, state whether mortgaged or free of incumbrance.
17. Are there any outbuildings on the premises in which horses, cattle,

PUNCH BOARDS IN NEW YEAR'S DISCARD

Midnight New Year's eve clamped the lid on punchboards, and any other form of gambling that may exist in this city. Chief of Police Wilson visited places where punchboards have been operating Wednesday and warned the proprietors that the boards must be discarded at midnight. As far as is known today the order was obeyed to the letter.

Both Mayor Struble and Chief Wilson said today that the action against punchboards is final. "There will be no more operation of punchboards on any scale or basis as long as I hold office," said the chief and any attempt at violating the law will be followed by arrest.

RAKER BILL IS UP TO SENATE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—Representative Sinnott of Oregon has received scores of communications in the last few days asking information on the opening of 27,000 acres of unclaimed land lying within the Klamath irrigation project 7,000 acres in Oregon and 20,000 acres in California.

His correspondents seem of the impression that the Raker bill opens these lands is already a law. The bill has passed the House, but has not been reported to the Senate. Sinnott is, therefore, advising constituents that the regulations for the opening will not be formulated until the Senate has disposed of the measure.

The bill, as passed by the House, gives the preference rights to former soldiers, sailors and marines. The land is marsh land, which appears susceptible of reclamation by drainage.

MERRILL RESIDENT CALLED BY DEATH

The funeral of Martin Konzak, age 65, a native of Germany and resident of Klamath county for the last 30 years, who died Wednesday evening at his brother's home near Merrill, took place at Merrill this afternoon. Another brother, Chris Konzak, is a resident of Klamath Falls. The decedent was unmarried.

Until taken ill several months ago, the decedent lived on his ranch near Merrill. After he took sick he went to live with his brother. He was a stone mason by trade and helped construct several buildings in this city, the Central school among others.

LANE BLOCKS SINNOTT BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—A bill by Representative Sinnott of Oregon, which would forbid the Secretary of the Interior to execute leases with Doak & Brown, San Francisco contractors, for the reclamation of a large area of marsh lands on the Upper Klamath lake, Oregon, is being held up by the Department of the Interior.

The fight against the lease is being led by the Klamath Falls, Oregon, Post of the American Legion. Secretary Franklin K. Lane will withhold action on the bill until after the hearing on the Doak & Brown proposal. This hearing has been set for January 12, at the secretary's office.

sheep, hogs or poultry of any kind are kept?

18. Does any member of the family own or operate a farm?

19. Are there any members of the family that are either blind, deaf or mute?

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STATE C. OF C. OFFICERS ARE ALL RE-SEATED

The state chamber of commerce, at the close of its session at Portland, Wednesday, unanimously re-elected officers, as follows: President, Chas. Hall, Marshfield, second term; treasurer, John L. Etheridge, Portland; secretary, George Quayle, Portland; second term; vice-presidents, J. T. Rorick, The Dalles; F. S. Bramwell, Grants Pass, second term; Emery Olmstead, Portland, second term.

The directorate was elected as follows: Eastern Oregon, J. T. Rorick, The Dalles; W. W. Harrah, Pendleton; H. B. McCann, Bend; J. R. Blackaby, Ontario; Vincent Palmer, La Grande, Multnomah county, Emery Almstead and C. C. Chapman, Portland. At large, William Pollman, Baker; E. E. Brodie, Oregon city; H. Hirschberg, Independence, Western Oregon; F. S. Bramwell, Grants Pass; Charles Hall, Marshfield; George H. McMoran, Eugene; F. W. Schmidt, Salem; G. Clifford Barlow, Warrenton.

Policies for 1920 were molded into shape at the session. The following resolutions briefly outline the organization's ideas for the coming year.

That the State Chamber recommend passage of a law permitting organization of cut-over land improvement districts.

That support be given the Hawley bill, before congress, urging a federal appropriation match fund to be combined with the state fund of \$2,500,000 for building the Roosevelt coast military highway.

That the Oregon delegation at Washington be urged to hasten the appropriation of money necessary to construct the McKay creek reservoir in Umatilla county.

That the legislature be petitioned to guarantee the payment of both principal and interest on irrigation, drainage or other land improvement bonds. The state is now guaranteeing bond interest only.

That the chamber requests a combination of the appropriations for the Oregon blue book and the Northwest tourist association in addition to other support the legislature may see fit in placing the funds into the hands of a permanent committee for compiling a new blue book and in advertising the state.

That the Oregon delegation be urged to veto the Rogue river fish bill and that a thorough investigation be made of the entire controversy for a report at the annual convention.

That the fourth assistant postmaster general be petitioned to establish a daily mail service between Bend and Burns.

That every effort be put forth to defeat the legislation that would permit the increasing of the road bond limit in Oregon from 2 to 4 per cent.

ODD FELLOWS TO INSTALL 1920 OFFICERS TONIGHT

Klamath Lodge, No. 137, I. O. O. F. will install officers for 1920 tonight at a meeting at the I. O. O. F. Hall. The meeting begins at 7:30 and a large attendance of members is urged. All visiting members will be welcomed.

SCOUTS GUESTS AT NEW THEATER

The Orpheus theater opened for the first performance last night with a packed house, and almost as many people were turned away it is reported, as were seated.

About 25 of the local Boy Scout troop, with the scoutmaster and assistants, were guests of Messrs. Monroe and Dale, the managers, to witness the picture, "The Youngest Scout," a play with a punch and a moral. The film has a clean, instructive plot, and the boys enjoyed it greatly.

This afternoon the Boy Scouts—many of whom could not be reached with invitations yesterday—and the city school children, were guests at a matinee performance at which the film was repeated.

M'NARY BILL FAVORED BY COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—Senator McNary has reported favorably from the committee on irrigation and reclamation his bill making available \$250,000,000 for reclamation purposes. The tremendous value that has already accrued from the expenditure of \$123,000,000 for reclaiming and irrigating barren lands is set forth in this report. It shows that approximately 1,780,000 acres of land have been made available, and now have a market value of from \$100 to \$750 an acre. In 1918, 1,051,000 acres of this reclaimed land were cropped and produced an average of \$63.60 an acre. "The money has been wholly inadequate for the needs," says the report. "This has rendered its expenditure more uneconomical than it otherwise would be."

"In view of the results obtained, surely no one needs any argument to be convinced of the wisdom of the reclamation policy," continues Senator McNary in his report. "Waste lands have been made productive. Great reservoirs of local, state and national taxation and revenue have been created. Agricultural production has been greatly increased without injury to any section of the country."

"Prosperous homes have been built, towns and cities have grown up and a great market for all kinds of manufactured products has been created, aside from the great addition made to the supply of food products. No similar expenditure of money by the government has added such wealth and strength to the nation as this."

"The time is opportune. Our great need is increased agricultural production. This must come largely through increased cultivated acreage. Suitable unirrigated public land is not available. This is all gone. Any increase must come through reclamation or not at all. Thousands of men who served in the armies abroad are seeking homes and an outdoor life. Thousands more should leave our overcrowded cities and go into agricultural pursuits."

PEDAGOGUE HAS NEW YEAR BRIDE

H. Wayne Keese, principal of the Pelican Bay School, and a native of this city, where his father was a prominent attorney in former days, was married at 6 o'clock last evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Johnson, to Miss Helen Opal Condrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Condrey. The Rev. S. J. Chaney performed the ceremony.

At noon yesterday, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nitschelm in Mills addition, Byron Teed, an employe of the Ewauna Box factory and Miss Bertha C. Nitschelm were united in marriage by the Rev. Mr. Chaney. The bride has been employed at the Star pharmacy. Following the ceremony the guests joined in partaking of a bountiful turkey dinner.

TWO YOUNG COUPLES IN DOUBLE WEDDING.

A double wedding ceremony was performed New Year's Eve by the Rev. E. P. Lawrence at his residence, uniting in marriage Thomas F. Littlefield, a young employe of W. D. Miller, the contractor, and Miss Alta Van Meter, and Carl R. S. Taylor and Miss Marie Spolek.

MEDFORD, Jan. 2.—The Jackson county farm bureau has placed an order for 75 tons of nitrate of soda to come to Portland from Chill by boat. It will reach Medford the latter part of January and be sold from the cars here at \$75 a ton, much lower than the present wholesale price.

U. OF O. GEOLOGIST GETS PRIVATE POST

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 2.—Dr. Warren D. Smith, head of the department of geology, has just accepted an offer of his old position as chief of the division of mines in the Philippine Islands and will leave the university on a year's leave of absence at the end of the present college year, in June. He received the offer of a permanent appointment, but thus far has not agreed to remain longer than the one year.

When he left the Philippine post six years ago to come to the University of Oregon, Dr. Smith was receiving \$3,000 a year. The offer he has just accepted places the salary at 4,900, with virtually all expenses paid. This is approximately \$1,500 a year more than he is receiving here, and a failure of improvement in salary conditions here, he says, might result in his accepting the permanent appointment.

OLCOTT AFTER HEADS OF GAME COMMISSIONERS

If the special session of the legislature, convening on January 12, does not accede to the wishes of Governor Olcott and create two new commissions, one to handle the commercial fishing interests of the state and the other to administer the hunting and angling affairs of sportsmen, the governor has announced that he will take affairs in his own hands and discharge the present commission, appointing an entirely new body. Commissioners Stone, Warren, Fieischner and Jack are slated for dismissal as are R. E. Clanton, master fish warden and Carl D. Shoemaker, state game warden.

In reaching his decision to discharge the present commission the chief executive has completed a circle of inconsistency that started when William L. Finley, state biologist, got the axe. The governor asserts that the commission's action in firing Finley has not influenced his decision to form a new commission, but those who know the facts, speak differently.

At the time Finley was dismissed the governor was apparently in accord with the commission's decision but pressure brought to bear by Finley adherents caused a request from the governor to be forwarded to each commissioner, asking Finley's reinstatement.

The commissioners, to a man, refused to accede to the request and now comes a definite statement from the governor that a new commission is necessary and he says he has the personnel already outlined in his mind.

Whatever the sentiment may be on the other side of the Cascades, it is a fact that in southern and central Oregon, sportsmen and the public generally are behind the commission in retiring Finley. It is generally considered a wise and logical action.

The incident has developed a situation that will undoubtedly become a political issue, and from what at first appeared to be a tempest in a teapot, a full fledged storm is brewing.

NEW HOUSE WILL BE KNOWN AS "MONDALE"

Keen interest was manifested in the selection of a new name for the Orpheus Theatre, which has just been taken over by Monroe and Dale, and over six hundred—623 to be exact—names were submitted for the consideration of the judges. After careful consideration the name "Mondale" was chosen. It is a combination of the new owners names, and the fact that six people suggested it would indicate that it will undoubtedly meet with quick public acceptance. Those submitting it were Orem Ray, T. A. Robertson, Mrs. E. J. Murray, Mrs. John Yaden, Ed Probat and Stanford Revenue.

PRISONERS ARE MADE TO WATCH DEATH PENALTY

Chicago Authorities, Despite Protests, Try Psychological Effect of Saylor's Execution as Deterrent to Further Crime by Fellows.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Out at the county jail in the grisly, dim hour of dawn, an experiment in psychology was made this morning when 200 prisoners were forced to witness the hanging of Raffalo Durrage, convicted murderer.

Hardened criminals, and other murderers and felons whose eplation for their crimes has not yet brought them within the shadow of the gallows, were placed in cells, tier upon tier of which surrounded the square in which the scaffold was erected.

It was the contention of Sheriff Peters that the sight of the gruesome trappings, watching the noose adjusted, the administration of the last rites, the click of the springing trap and the jerking of the rope as the body plunged beneath the scaffold, all together would have a most salutary effect upon those in whose future life might come temptations to rob, slay or burn.

So firmly did the sheriff believe in the efficiency of his idea that he persisted in it despite scores of protests. Accordingly the stage was set in the death chamber and Durrage led forth. There was absolute quiet for a moment and then the noose was slipped over the condemned man's head.

From one of the higher tiers of cells came a strident shout of "when do we eat?" Tier by tier the cry was taken up and swelled into a roar above the warden's office as the trap was sprung and Durrage dropped into the space beneath the scaffold, dead, with "when do we eat," as his requiem.

ACKLEY-WELLS NUPTIALS ARE CELEBRATED

ACKLER WELLS—MUST GO ne;R The announcement of the marriage of Miss Edna L. Wells and Harry M. Ackley will come as a complete surprise to the wide circle of friends in this county. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Rev. E. P. Lawrence, rector of the Presbyterian church, New Year's Eve, and so well has this popular couple succeeded in keeping their plans secret that not the slightest inkling of the event has reached the ears of their friends.

There are few more popular people in Klamath county than Mr. and Mrs. Ackley. Both have lived here for years, and each year has widened the circle of acquaintances and strengthened the friendships they have made.

Mr. Ackley is the senior member of the pioneer firm of Ackley Brothers, a concern that has been identified with the lumbering business of this county long before the present gigantic developments were dreamed of. His firm has kept pace with the growth of the industry and is today one of the substantial lumber companies of the county. Great as is his popularity, it is no greater than his standing for integrity in the business circles of the city, where he is looked upon as one of the solid reliable men of affairs.

The bride's name is a household word in Klamath county. At the last election she was chosen as superintendent of schools, which position she resigned a few months ago in anticipation of the event that has just occurred. Of a most lovable disposition, she endeared herself to her friends and seldom will a bride carry more wishes for happiness than will be showered upon her. Mr. and Mrs. Ackley will make their home in Klamath Falls.