

FARM CENSUS REGARDED AS MOST IMPORTANT

How Farmer May Help

The Census of Agriculture One of the Most Important to Be Taken Next Year—Miscellaneous Information.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 15.—The Thirteenth General Census of the United States will be taken beginning April 15, 1910. About 65,000 enumerators will engage then in the huge task of counting every man, woman and child in the country, and of ascertaining for each individual the color, sex, age, conjugal condition, place of birth, place of birth of parents, number of years in the United States, citizenship, occupation, whether or not employer or employee, and if employee, whether or not employed at the date of enumeration, and the number of months employed during the preceding calendar year.

All of this and certain additional information, is a part of the census of population, and must be ascertained for everyone, regardless of occupation. In addition, Congress has provided for the collection of detailed information regarding the three principal productive industries of the country—agriculture, manufactures, and mines and quarries. These three great branches of industry represent so large a proportion of the total wealth of the country that their progress from decade to decade is an accurate index to the material development of the country as a whole.

The census of 1900 showed that the United States is still primarily an agricultural country. The total value of all farm property on June 1, 1909, was nearly twenty and one-half billions of dollars, a sum more than twice that of the aggregate capital invested in manufacture, which was approximately nine billion eight hundred million dollars.

Notwithstanding the value of the census of population for the political purpose of reapportioning representation in the Congress of the United States, and the value of the statistics of manufacturing to the vast interests immediately concerned, the census of agriculture, of all the subjects covered by the census law, is generally regarded as of the greatest importance to the country.

The term census is applied to the benefit of the farmer, and upon the accuracy of the information given the enumerator by the farmer next April depends to a large extent the value of the statistical work to be carried on in the farmer's behalf during the next five years, not only by the federal and state departments of agriculture but by students of agricultural conditions in all parts of the world.

How the Farmer Can Help. By preparing an accurate account of his farm operations during the year ending December 31, 1909, and by making an inventory on April 15, 1910, of all his farm possessions, the farmer of the country can render the Census Bureau and the public at large an inestimable service.

The Thirteenth Census provides that: "The schedules relating to agriculture should include name, color, and country of birth of occupant of each farm; tenure; acreage of farm; acreage of woodland and character of timber thereon; value of farm and improvements; value of farm implements; number and value of live stock on farms and ranges; number and value of domestic animals not on farms and ranges; and the acreage of crops planted and to be planted during the year of enumeration, and the acreage of crops and the quantity and value of crops and other farm products for the year ending December thirty-first next preceding the enumeration."

WRIGHT RACED WITH TRAIN

College Park, Md., Oct. 15.—Wilbur Wright today introduced an element of the spectacular in the otherwise monotonous training flights at the government aerodrome when he while making a four minute flight in a six-mile wind late in the afternoon came abreast of the fast moving railroad train, which seemed to challenge its more modern rival. To the small group of newspaper reporters, reinforced by a coterie of the country folk, the train was gaining on the aviator.

SERVICES WELL ATTENDED

The services at the First Baptist Church were largely attended yesterday, especially the night services. At night there were two additions to the membership of the church.

PITTSBURG WINS WORLD'S SERIES

Administered Crushing Defeat to Detroit—the Score Was 8 to 0.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 16.—Pittsburg won the world's baseball championship at Bennett Park today by defeating Detroit by the overwhelming score of 8 to 0, in the seventh and decisive game of one of the greatest battles ever fought for the world's title. This gives the National League champions the victory by the count of four games to three.

To Charles Adams, the phenomenal young pitcher from the Louisville American Association League belongs the lion's share of the credit for the victory. Today's victory was his third victory of the series and he held Detroit safely throughout the entire game. He allowed but six hits, and in only one inning—the fourth—did Detroit get more than one safety. Adams allowed only one base on balls, and in four innings, he retired the hard hitting American Leaguers in one two three order. The crowd was a distinct disappointment as there were only 17,562 paid admissions. The receipts were \$19,877.

This brings the total attendance of the seven games up to 145,444, and the total receipts to \$188,302.50.

FOOT CRUSHED COUPLING CARS

Was Brought Here From Chocowinity—Operation Performed.

Last night about 8 o'clock, Mr. J. S. Fulcher, of New Bern, was hurt at Chocowinity while coupling cars. His left foot got caught between two coal cars, and was badly mashed. He was placed on a special and rushed over to this city, where he was met by the Washington Hospital ambulance. Dr. Taylor removed half of the foot, and this morning the injured man is reported as feeling little the worse for his accident.

Remember the Sale at Hoyt's

Remember the sale Wednesday at J. K. Hoyt's mammoth stores of ladies' suits, coats and kimono. The largest shipment ever brought to Washington will be shown and the ladies will have a most excellent opportunity to select the latest styles and fashions. For this sale Mr. Hoyt has spared no expense to show a line that will please and satisfy the most fastidious. These goods will do credit to a much larger city than Washington. The ladies should take advantage of this great opportunity. See the Hoyt large ad. on the fourth page in today's issue. It will interest you.

TO MOVE TO BELHAVEN

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Paul, of Beckwith, the parents of Mr. George A. Paul, clerk of the Superior court, were in the city today. They are contemplating moving to Belhaven within the next ten days, when Mr. Paul is engaged in the mercantile business.

HOME FROM EXTENDED TOUR

Ex-Mayor and Mrs. Edward T. Stewart, returned home last Friday from an extended tour of northern cities. They were absent 18 days. While away they visited Niagara Falls, Toronto, New York, Albany, Buffalo, Philadelphia and Norfolk. They spent three days in Norfolk going and two days on the return trip. Mr. Stewart says they had a most enjoyable visit. His trip seems to have greatly benefited him.

U. D. C. MEETING

Pamlico Chapter will hold their annual meeting tomorrow afternoon, October 19, at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, at 4 o'clock. All members are requested to be present, and the election of officers for the ensuing year and payment of dues will take place. The president will also give her report of the year's work and of the recent State meeting in Wilmington.

Notice of the election of officers at this meeting was given September 15. MISS LENA WINDLEY, Recording Secretary.

RECESS MEETING

The Board of City Aldermen will have a recess meeting at the city hall this morning for the purpose of hearing the report of the expert accountant. Any citizen desiring to hear this report is invited to be present.

WILMINGTON IS FAST MAKING PREPARATIONS

President to Be Guest

Tuesday, Nov. 9, Will Be Chief Event in Recent History of the State—Many Distinguished Men to be Present.

Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 18.—President Taft, on his record-breaking "swing around the circle," embracing a journey of 15,000 miles across the continent and return, has now reached the Land of Cotton. In the southwest thousands of Southerners are greeting the Republic's Chief Magistrate, are hanging upon the distinguished gentlemen's words, and are touching his hand as a spontaneous earnest of the South's national spirit. The President's journey is rapidly drawing toward Wilmington, where North Carolina will greet him by thousands on Tuesday, November 9. His reception in North Carolina's great seaport will be characterized by the spontaneity and enthusiasm that has greeted the President everywhere he has appeared in the midst of the great American people. North and South.

Wilmington will put on her best toga to receive President Taft. The committees on decorations and illuminations have taken steps to delight and dazzle the visitors who are coming here to see the Republic's Chief Magistrate.

Twelve blocks of the streets will be converted into a great "White Way," because of the fact that they will be illuminated by a system of electric lighting devices that will impart a most beautiful and dazzling effect to the city's thoroughfares. The illumination will be done according to a new plan, and it is proposed to make this feature a permanent thing for the downtown districts. A brilliantly lighted city is a gem among municipalities, and the effect on strangers as well as home people is so pronounced, that it is recognized as a most effective advertisement for a city.

The decorations for the Taft visit will be profuse and elaborate, the principal scheme being to emphasize the fact that the "Land of the Long-Leaf Pine." Along Front street from Red Cross to Market, and on Market from the harbor to Fourth street, fine specimens of long-leaf pine trees fifteen feet high will be planted twenty feet apart on one side of the streets. Each trolley pole along the streets will fly a brace of large United States flags attached to cross spears, and the trolley guys overhead from post to post will be decorated with flags and bunting.

A welcome arch to be erected on Front street immediately opposite Wilmington's handsome brownstone postoffice will typify Wilmington's glad hand to the President and to her visitors from afar and near. The arch will be a pretty architectural design tastefully and artistically decorated, and it will be illuminated by electric designs that will make it a thing of beauty. Encircling the top will be Wilmington's hearty greeting: "Welcome to the Land of the Long-Leaf Pine."

MAYOR OF NEWPORT MURDERED

The New Bern Journal of yesterday says: A telephone message received here last night stated that Mr. Yz Newberry, mayor of Newport, had been assassinated last night at ten minutes past ten o'clock, as he was entering the front door of his home. Mr. Newberry had spent the early part of the evening down in the business district of town, making sundry purchases and had parted with several friends, who had accompanied him during the evening, just a few blocks from his destination. Bloodhounds were secured from Tarboro and were brought to Newport at once.

No clue as to who the assassins are has yet been discovered, but it is conjectured that the dogs will pick up the trail in a short while. Mr. Newberry has many friends and acquaintances in this city who will regret to learn of his untimely death.

PAINFULLY BURNED

Miss Willie Harris, daughter of Capt. James H. Harris, came near meeting with a serious accident Saturday. She was painfully burned on her chest by boiling coffee. At first it was a narrow escape.

IMPROVING STREETS

West Second street presents a much more dignified appearance since the Street Commissioner with a force of hands has been working on it the past few days.

UNION SERVICE NEXT WEEK

Preparatory to the Coming of Evangelist Black October 31.

Beginning next Sunday the preliminary services for the Union Meeting which begins Sunday, October 31, starts. There will be services held in the First Methodist Church each evening during the week, conducted by the different pastors. On Friday evening of next week the Young Men's Christian League will conduct the services. Sunday, October 31, Rev. Dr. Black, the evangelist, is expected, and will preach morning and evening and from that time on for a period of two weeks, conduct the meeting, preaching nightly. All those who sing are cordially invited to join the choir and aid in the music.

The members of the respective churches in the city are looking for a great meeting.

Exercises Were Much Enjoyed

Children's Day was fittingly observed by the Methodist Sunday School yesterday afternoon. There were a large number of the tiny tots from three months up present. The secretary of the school, Mr. J. F. Buckman, called the baby roll and quite a number responded through their parents. There are 41 babies enrolled. The collection taken was for needy Sunday Schools in the North Carolina Conference. Owing to some misunderstanding Mr. H. C. Carter, Jr., who was advertised to make an address, was asked to be excused. Rev. W. H. Call filled his place, and made a most interesting talk to the school. Altogether the occasion was a most enjoyable one.

AGAIN INDISPOSED

Mr. John L. Phillips, who was able last week to be out after a few weeks' indisposition, has again with a relapse and is again confined to his home.

Corn Judging Day Nov. 10

Corn Judging Day takes place in Washington, Wednesday, November 10. In addition to this a barbecue will be given for the benefit of the visiting farmers. The contest will take place in the skating rink building, East Main street. This occasion promises to be a great and important one for the farmers in the eastern section of North Carolina, and the promoters hope to make it the biggest day of the kind ever held. A large number of farmers and others are expected to be present.

Prizes will be awarded and they will be presented by Hon. John H. Small. All farmers interested are urged to attend and bring samples of their product. Let this be a great day for the tillers of the soil. All should be present and avail themselves of this opportunity to see what can be accomplished in the way of farming.

Active preparations are now being made by those having the day in charge.

IN PRECARIOUS CONDITION

The many friends of Mrs. J. C. Cherry will be pained to learn of her critical illness. She is suffering from an acute attack of gastritis and grave fears are expressed for her recovery. Last night her condition was thought to be more favorable by her physician, but today there seems to be a turn for the worse. Mrs. Cherry has a large circle of friends here and elsewhere who wish for her a speedy recovery.

Fine Address and Good Music

The meeting of the Young Men's Christian League at the Chamber of Commerce rooms yesterday was very largely attended and very much enjoyed. The solo rendered by Mrs. A. G. Smith was very effective. Its subject was "Ashamed of Thee." Mr. J. B. Epparrow made a very forceful and inspiring address on the subject, "The Young Man's Influence."

THREE QUAKES AT MESSINA

Messina, Oct. 16.—Four strong earth shocks occurred here this evening. They began about 7 o'clock and people were greatly alarmed and rushed from their beds, fearing a repetition of the disaster of last December. Very little damage was done, as the beds are constructed so as to resist seismic disturbances. So far as can be ascertained no one was injured.

SECOND MEETING OF THE DRAINAGE ASSOCIATION

Held at New Bern

Many Distinguished Speakers Are Billed to Speak—All Are Cordially Invited to Attend Meetings of the Convention.

The State Geological and Economic Survey has been interested in the subject of the drainage of swamps and overflowed land for several years and has given special attention to the problems of drainage of certain swamp areas of eastern North Carolina and of overflowed areas in the Piedmont section of the State. During this investigation the State Geologist was impressed with the enormous amount of swamp land in eastern North Carolina and its present unproductiveness, and especially with the fact that much of this swamp area had sufficient elevation so that it was capable of being drained. The culmination of this investigation was the calling of a Drainage Convention, which was held at New Bern, N. C., September 9 and 10, 1908. As many will remember, these two days were spent in discussing the drainage problem from all points of view, and the Convention finally adopted a resolution endorsing a Drainage Bill which it believed would make possible the drainage of thousands of acres of swamp and overflowed lands in North Carolina. The convention also resolved itself into a permanent organization to be known as the North Carolina Drainage Association.

The final result of the convention and the formation of the Association was the passage of the North Carolina Drainage Act by the Legislature of 1909. As a result of the passage of this act eight drainage districts have been formed or are in process of formation; the largest of which is the Mattamuskeet Drainage District, which contains approximately 120,000 acres.

The Drainage Division of the United States Department of Agriculture has taken a great deal of interest in the drainage work of North Carolina, and has assisted us very liberally in the making of surveys of the proposed drainage districts and also by assisting us to determine whether or not the proposed drainage proposition was feasible.

These drainage propositions, which undertake the drainage of thousands of acres of swamp land, are large undertakings and can be accomplished only by the combined efforts of those owning the land. The success of the proposition depends upon the wise expenditure of thousands and sometimes hundreds of thousands of dollars, and for that reason, the North Carolina Drainage Law contains provisions so that no drainage law can be undertaken until it has been definitely proved by surveys that the proposition is feasible, and that the cost of the drainage is not greater than the benefits that the land will derive from its drainage. As yet, this drainage law is not yet thoroughly understood and many of our larger farmers have an idea that they could drain their own lands cheaper and perhaps better than by becoming a part of a drainage district, while, on the other hand, the small farmer who owns but a few acres of land, has an idea that he will be unjustly taxed if he enters a drainage district, and have to bear a large proportion of the cost of the drainage. Both of these classes of men have a misconceived idea of the drainage law, which very carefully safeguards the interests of the small farmer as well as the large farmer. It is absolutely impossible for the farmer owning 10,000 to 20,000 acres of land to drain this satisfactorily by himself as by the formation of a drainage district.

In order to become more familiar with the operations of the North Carolina Drainage Law there will be a thorough discussion of this law at the second annual convention of the North Carolina Drainage Association which will be held at New Bern, N. C., November 10 and 11, 1909. This discussion will be open to all attending the meeting so that any one who desires can ask questions regarding any portions of the law, and will be given an opportunity to express his opinion regarding any clause in the law. Representatives from the various drainage districts, either formed or in process of formation, will be in attendance, and state what their

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JACK JOHNSON IS STILL CHAMPION

Knocks Out Stanly-Ketchel at Colma, California, in the Twelfth Round.

Colma, Cal., Oct. 16.—Jack Johnson retained the heavyweight championship today by knocking out Stanly Ketchel in the twelfth round. The and came unexpectedly. Ketchel rushed the black, who stumbled and fell. He rose slowly and through a crouching position sprung at Ketchel, as the latter rushed him, raining blow after blow. The white man was caught off his guard and fattered under the assault. A left to the body and two swift rights to the side of the head stretched him on the floor to be counted out.

Precinct Chairman Offers Suggestion

In pursuance of a call issued by W. C. Rodman, Esq., Chairman of the Democratic County Executive Committee, for a meeting of the different chairmen of the precinct committees in Long Acre to suggest a successor as County Commissioner to fill out the unexpired term of the late Mr. H. G. Jordan, Messrs. H. C. Boyd, of Pinetown; J. Mac Alligood, of Woodwards, and Mr. J. R. Pinkham, of Long Acre, met at the courthouse last Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. After going over the situation they decided to recommend the name of Mr. H. C. Boyd, of Pinetown, to the Clerk of the Superior Court for appointment as commissioner to succeed Mr. Jordan.

The clerk will appoint Mr. Boyd so as he can qualify at the next regular monthly meeting of the board on the first Monday in November.

Mr. Boyd is a farmer and has held the position as Justice of the Peace for several years. He will make a most efficient and painstaking official.

A BRIGHT BOY

Marvin Brown Hodges, the ten-year-old son of Mr. Thad R. Hodges, a member of the County Board of Education, reading near Old Ford, honored the Daily News office with a call last Saturday.

Some weeks ago the management of this paper offered a 52-piece handsome dinner set to the one securing five yearly subscribers, whose subscription was paid in advance. Master Marvin is the first one to win a set, of which he is very proud, and justly so. He is one of the brightest little fellows in our knowledge.

His mind is keen and observant and his memory is something wonderful. While in the office he told us the name of every President in correct rotation, a feat, we doubt, that can be equaled by a single adult in Washington. Marvin has a bright future and the Daily News hopes he will make a noble man, which no doubt he will.

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TAFT AND DIAZ MEET IN TEXAS AND MEXICO

Diaz First to Speak

The Executives of Two Great Nations Meet and Exchange Words of Friendly Greeting. Soldiers, Trumpets and Cannon.

El Paso, Texas, Oct. 15.—The long expected meeting between President Taft and President Diaz, of the Republic of Mexico, occurred here today. Outwardly it was attended with a display of soldiery, a flare of trumpets, a boom of cannon and a pomp of ceremony suggestive of supreme authority, but in the actual hand-lap of the two executives and in the exchange of courteous words there was simple but cordial informality.

President Diaz was the first to speak. He assured President Taft of his warm personal regard and his high esteem of the man who had accomplished so much in the Philippines, in Cuba, and elsewhere, and who had now the honor to be the chief executive of so great a nation as the United States.

President Taft in simple American fashion declared he was glad to meet President Diaz. He was glad to know the President of such a great nation; especially glad to know the present President, who had made the nation great.

Both Presidents dwelt upon the cordiality of the relations existing between the United States and Mexico. President Taft declared that today's meeting was not necessary to make stronger the bands of friendship; it merely typified the strength of the bonds as they already exist. There were less than a score of persons permitted to witness the meeting of the two executives. Even these were excluded later when President Taft and President Diaz withdrew into an inner room of the Chamber of Commerce building where the historic meeting occurred, and were only attended by Governor Creel, of the state of Chihuahua, former ambassador to the United States, who acted as interpreter.

The scene of the day's ceremonies shifted from time to time from this thriving little American city across the Rio Grande river to the typical Mexican settlement of Ciudad Juarez.

President Taft left El Paso at 8 p. m. to continue his journey through the South.

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