

THE POPULATION GAIN

United States Make An Increase Of Twenty-One Per Cent

EXCLUSIVE OF POSSESSIONS Including All Foreign Holdings The Stars And Stripes Now Protect 101,100,000 People

Washington, Dec. 10.—In the United States and all its possessions the Stars and Stripes protect 101,100,000. This enormous number is the official estimate of the United States bureau of the census, announced today in connection with the population statistics for the country as enumerated in the thirteenth decennial census.

THE OUTSIDE HOLDING.

The grand total includes 7,534,248 in the Philippine Islands, a number added in the census there in 1903, and estimates for the population of the island of Guam, the American possessions in Samoa and persons on the Panama canal zone.

Within its borders on the North American continent, exclusive of Alaska, the United States has a population of 91,972,366 inhabitants. During the last 10 years the United States of America has had an aggregate increase in population of 15,877,691, which amounts to 21 per cent over the 1900 figures.

Montana 376,053, an increase of 182,734 or 48.5 per cent over 248,329 in 1900. Washington 1,141,900, an increase of 523,857, or 45.8 per cent over 618,043 in 1900.

NORTH CAROLINA SIXTEENTH.

The States in their respective ranks according to population are: New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Texas, Massachusetts, Missouri, Michigan, Indiana, Georgia, New Jersey, California, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Iowa, North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Minnesota, Virginia, Mississippi, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, South Carolina, Maryland, West Virginia, Nebraska, Washington, Porto Rico, Connecticut, Colorado, Florida, Maine, Oregon, South Dakota, North Dakota, Illinois, Rhode Island, Hampshire, Montana, Utah, Vermont, District of Columbia, New Mexico, Idaho, Arizona, Delaware, Hawaii, Wyoming, Nevada, Alaska.

Corrected figures issued by the census office show that the population of New York's population as 8,118,814; increase 1,844,720 or 25.4 per cent; Florida 752,619, increase 224,077, or 42.3 per cent, and Maryland 1,295,346, increase 107,902, or nine per cent.

PAY TRIBUTE TO FULLER.

Leaders of American Bar Gather to Pay Tribute to Late Chief Justice—Senator Overman Among the Speakers. Washington, Dec. 10.—Leaders of the American bar gathered today in the rooms of the Supreme Court of the United States to pay a tribute to the memory of the late Melville W. Fuller, Chief Justice of the United States.

ROOT AND MORAN WIN OUT.

Eddie Root Wins For Himself and Team—Mate by a Pinny Sprint at Last—They Will Divide \$1,600—Other Winners. New York, Dec. 10.—Eddie Root of the Root-Moran team finished first tonight in the final mile dash that decided the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden. His time for the mile was 3 minutes, 55.1 seconds, and his distance for the six days 254.5 miles.

Negro Makes Mordacious Assault on His Employer.

Henderson, Dec. 10.—At 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, Mr. James Basket, manager of the Poythress coal and wood yard, having occasion to send William Daniel, colored, for some of his duty, received severe abuse. When ordered to leave the yard Daniel jumped into his wagon, drew his gun and fired on Mr. Basket twice. The first ball entered the left arm, the second the left side about the region of the heart.

EVIDENCE FAVORS DEFENDANT.

Testimony of Witnesses in Le Blanc Trial Tends to Show That the Accused Girl is Not Guilty of Murder of C. F. Glover.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 10.—For the first time in the LeBlanc trial, testimony of witnesses in the immediate vicinity of the laundry in Waltham, where the shooting is said to have occurred, was introduced today. Two witnesses testified that they saw a woman hurrying out of an alley-way behind Glover's laundry on that night. One of them, Isaac Walker, a car starter, said that the woman's face was flushed and her manner nervous.

UNITED STATES STANDS SECOND IN NAVAL STRENGTH

Country Closes Another Year in Second Place Among World's Naval Powers—Germany Will Probably Be in This Place Next Year With United States Third.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The United States closes another year in second place among the world's naval powers. The great navy-building race between Germany and Great Britain has not yet brought the former country up to the United States in the number of battleships afloat, but in ships projected and in the total number of war vessels of all kinds Germany will crowd the United States to third place.

DEFENDANTS' HUMBLE MEN.

The circumstances surrounding this case show that if the defendants violated the law at all, they were not doing it on the large scale that is charged on by some of their pastors.

These facts are shown in the new navy book, prepared by Pitman Puffer, clerk to the Senate committee on naval affairs. The compilation of Mr. Puffer is ahead of Germany. If battleships completed, both in number and displacement, the United States leads Germany. Including battleships completed, under construction and provided for the number of each country is identical, while the United States exceeds Germany in total battleships.

BASES MUST BE CHANGED.

Essentially it will be necessary to alter the basis of representation in Congress. At the present ratio, of 194,000 people to each member of the House of Representatives, the House would consist of 474 members, as against 392 at present. The general belief that this number would be unwieldy. Even at the rate of 220,000 as a basis the House would contain 418 members, an increase of 27.

FASSER BILL IN RECORD TIME.

House of Representatives Rushes Rivers and Harbors Bill Through in a Hurry—Spent Money at Rate of \$7,000,000 An Hour.

Washington, Dec. 10.—In record time and spending money at the rate of \$7,000,000 an hour, the House of Representatives today in about three hours passed the rivers and harbors bill, making appropriations amounting to \$1,834,894 for river and harbor work during the fiscal year ending July 30, 1911. No vote was taken, the bill being passed by unanimous consent; and with the exception of a slight typographical error in the printed bill, not a word was changed from the form in which it was presented to the House by the rivers and harbors committee.

Bulls Out Alive to Get 'Lock Bone,'

Special to The Observer. Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 10.—Thomas Hunter boiled a thomas cat alive in order to get the good lucky bone from the anatomy of the animal with which to "confuse" his friends. The cat was placed in a pot of water and covered up. A fire was built underneath and the cat literally boiled to death.

Nock Case Continued.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 10.—The case of Milton W. Nock, brought back from Detroit, Mich., upon the charge of making false entries while an employee of the First National bank of Newport News, was today continued by United States Commissioner Stephenson until January 10, for further evidence. The defendant was released in \$5,000.

THE DEFENDANTS DEMUR

On Court's Ruling Hangs Future Of The White Slave Cases

DOUBT CONGRESS' POWER

Much Interest Centers On Result Of Case Now In Federal Court At Greensboro

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When court met this morning Assistant District Attorney Coble began his speech replying to the argument of Judge Boyd. He stated that the ruling of Judge Boyd as to defendant's demurrer to the government's evidence, which will be announced Monday morning, hangs the future of the so-called white slave case and perhaps the liberty or imprisonment of the defendants, Joseph W. Napier and E. Charles Quaster.

AGED PLAYWRIGHT PASSES.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 10.—Henry Guy Carleton, the playwright, died here today of paralysis, aged 64 years.

IMPORTANT TIMBER DEAL CONSUMMATED IN YANCEY

R. B. Johnson Estate Sells to Carolina Spruce Company Timber Rights on 5,200 Acres of Land in North Carolina—Will Cut Only Certain Kinds of Wood.

Asheville, Dec. 10.—The R. B. Johnson estate has sold to the Carolina Spruce Company of Johnson City, Tenn., the timber rights on 5,200 acres of land in Yancey county for \$110,000. This sale is one of the most significant that has perhaps ever been closed in this section. The purchaser gets all of the spruce timber on the lands, and are allowed to cut only the hardwood and poplar trees that are over 12 inches in diameter.

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LENOIR PHYSICIAN IS INJURED IN A RUNAWAY

Dr. W. P. Ivey Either Being Thrown or Jumped From Buggy is Dragged Some Distance By Frightened Horse—No Bones Broken and Recovery is Expected.

Special to The Observer. Lenoir, Dec. 10.—Today about noon Dr. W. P. Ivey's horse ran away and the doctor was either thrown from his buggy or jumped out and in some manner was caught and dragged a short distance. His neck and chin struck a rock just below where the spine joins the skull. He walked down the road about 100 yards and fell in front of the house of Mr. A. R. Chester. With the assistance of the doctor came speeding out to the house. The doctor had some one summoned a physician as quickly as possible.

THE WHITE SLAVE LAW.

What is known as the white slave traffic act is among the most recent laws placed upon the statute books of the United States. It was enacted at the last session of Congress and became law about the first of March of this year. The bill in Congress was entitled "A bill to regulate and prevent the transportation in interstate and foreign commerce of women and girls for immoral purposes." Not only does the bill make unlawful the transportation of women and girls from one State to another within the United States, but it also makes it criminal to carry on such trade with foreign nations by bringing women into this country or in carrying them to other countries for immoral purposes.

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FIGURES ON COTTON MILLS.

Commissioner Shipman Makes Interesting Report of Cotton and Knitting Mill Conditions in the State.

Observer Bureau, Raleigh, Dec. 10.—That there are 125 cotton, woolen and silk mills in North Carolina with 394 of them showing aggregate capital \$33,957,454 and running 3,348,022 spindles, 56,516 looms, 569 braidors, 7,762 cards and employing 135,356 horsepower is the showing made in the annual report of commissioner of Labor and Printing, M. L. Shipman, just completed.

Number of employees 63,440, supporting 125,510 people dependent on them. Reports from the great majority of the mills show improvement in the proficiency of operatives. Also improvement in the financial condition of the operatives. One per cent of the reports from mills listed 499 Hinshaw's, listed by 52 of them, amounting to 6,210. Sixteen are electrically equipped for power. Employees 7,199 with 15,713 people dependent on the mills for livelihood. Average wages \$2.25 high and 50 low average. Improvement in proficiency of operatives.

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