

## United States Church Census Is of the Greatest Interest

The aggregate number of 32,935,445 communicants or members of all religious denominations in continental United States was reported for 1900, according to the United States census of religious bodies for the same year as detailed in Part I, of the United States census bureau's special report on the subject, now in press. Of this grand total the various Protestant bodies reported 20,287,742 and the Catholic church 12,679,142.

For purpose of comparison the census authorities divided the principal cities into four classes, those having in 1900 a population of 300,000 and over, constituting the first class, those of from 100,000 to 300,000 forming the second, those of from 50,000 to 100,000 making the third and those from 25,000 to 50,000 forming the fourth class.

Of the Protestant aggregate there were 1,487,145, of 7.3 per cent in the first class cities, 4.7 per cent in the second class and 7.4 per cent in the third and fourth classes combined, while 80.6 per cent were outside the principal cities.

Of the Catholic churches total membership there were 3,276,453 or 27.9 per cent in the first class cities, 1,361,182, or 11.3 per cent; in the second 1,570,044, or 13 per cent, in the third and fourth classes combined, with 5,771,613, or 47.8 per cent outside the principal cities.

Only two of the Protestant bodies reported a majority of their membership in the principal cities—i. e., the Church of Christ Scientist, 82.6 per cent, and the Protestant Episcopal church 51.2 per cent, while of the membership of the Jewish congregations 88.7 per cent are in the principal cities and of the Eastern orthodox churches 70.7 per cent.

Of the total number of communicants or members reported for the principal cities by all denominations 6,307,529 or 60 per cent belonged to

the Catholic church, and 3,935,341 or 37.4 per cent to Protestant bodies.

Comparison with the report for 1890 shows that in general there has been an increase in the proportion of communicants or members in the principal cities as compared with those outside of these cities. 1900 the percentage of the total number of communicants in these cities for all denominations was 31.5, as compared with 25.7 in 1890.

In 13 of the cities more than one half of the communicants or members

reported belonged to Protestant bodies while in 23 the majority belonged to the Catholic church.

The cities showing the largest proportion of Protestant communicants are: Memphis, 84.4 per cent; Toledo, 70 per cent; Washington 68.9 per cent; Kansas City, Mo., 68.2 per cent, and Indianapolis 62.1 per cent.

The cities showing the largest percentages of Catholic communicants are: Fall River, 86.5 per cent; San Francisco, 81.1 per cent; New Orleans, 79.7 per cent; Providence, 76.5 per cent; St. Louis, 69 per cent; Boston, 68.7 per cent; Chicago, 68.2 per cent, and Philadelphia 61.8 per cent.

In the five leading cities the proportion of communicants to population was New York, 44.7 per cent; Chicago, 40.7 per cent; Philadelphia, 38.8 per cent; Boston, 32.6, and St. Louis 46.6 per cent. It is stated that in general, cities which have a relatively large Catholic population show a higher percentage of church members than cities in which this body has a comparatively small representation. In Fall River 86.5 per cent of the total number of members reported were Catholics, and the church membership represented 67.8 per cent of the population, while in Memphis, where 84.4 per cent of the communicants reported belonged to Protestant bodies, the church membership was only 30 per cent of the population. There were 4,082,039 or 32 per cent,

more female than male members in the continental United States in 1900, while in the principal cities the excess of female members was proportionately less, being 980,526, or 23.5 per cent. Comparing the different classes of cities it appears that in those of the first class the excess of female over male members was only 18 per cent; in the second class, 28.9 per cent; in the third class 31.1 per cent, and outside of these cities, 35.9 per cent. It is stated that the greater proportion of males in the principal cities is largely due to the greater proportionate strength of the Catholic church in these cities.

At Local Theaters

### At the Murray.

This week is proving a popular one at the Murray as the bill promises plenty of comedy, the kind of a bill which helps everyone to forget his troubles, get real rest while attending. Be sure to witness this big bill. Charlie Hasty in his characterization of the Hoosier Boy portrays one of those clean, bright, good natured country boys not a Silly Billy the embodiment of good nature and infectious humor. Tom Linton's Cannibal Maids present a tropical oddity, "An Up-to-date Missionary" which because of its unique

ness is a hit. Wagner and Gray in a comedy sketch. The Lola Milton Co. introduce "That Girl," in a charming manner. The motion pictures "The Eternal Triangle" make up another strong feature of the bill.

### Dainty Mae La Porte.

Dainty Mae La Porte, who is this season at the head of her own company will be the attraction at the Gennett for one week starting Monday July 25, when she will appear as Doris Caruthers, in one of her most successful plays "One Girl in a Thousand." Miss La Porte is well known in this city and well liked by the theater-goers as one of the sweetest and daintiest little soubrettes that ever appears on the local stage and her return will be welcomed by her many admirers. In her company this season are such well known people as Neil Hickey, Edgar McVeigh, Dell Sherrard, Sam La Porte, Billy Craig, Joe McEnroe, Geo. Brown, Jesse Gildermeister, Addie Caldwell and several others. In "One Girl in a Thousand"

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APPROVED VAUDEVILLE

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Scenic, Singing and Dancing Tropical Oddity  
**TOM LINTON**  
and His CANNIBAL MAIDS

Matinee, any day, 10c. Night performances, 7:45 and 9. Prices 10, 15, and 20c. Loge seats 25c.

### SPECIAL

For Friday.

CLOAK AND SUIT DEPARTMENT.

Linen Coat Suits, Fancy Appliqued and Medallion trimmed, White and Colors, \$25 values, to close at

**\$9.98**

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## July Clearance Sales

### SPECIAL

For Friday.

CLOAK AND SUIT DEPARTMENT.

Silk Shirt Waist Suits in Taffeta and in Messaline Silks, assorted colors, \$15 values, to close at

**\$9.98**

## Biggest Bargain Event of the Season

When we say Biggest Bargain Event of the Season, we mean just what the words imply. Knollenberg's Store is known for its large stock and good selection—there is no store in Eastern Indiana with the line of merchandise it carries—no shoddy or soiled goods, but the very best, and the reduction we are making in this stock make them Real Bargains. Hundreds of people yesterday and today have taken advantage of this Bargain Event. Get your share by coming tomorrow, or any day of this sale. But remember, the early buyer gets the best selection. Note the items quoted below.

## MAKE EVERY DOLLAR DO THE WORK OF TWO AND SOMETIMES THREE

### CLEARANCE

In Men's Furnishings, Ladies' Underwear and Hosiery.

Ladies' Ribbed Vests, low neck, sleeveless, each ..... 12c

Ladies' Ribbed Union Suits, lace trimmed drawers, each ..... 25c

Ladies' Union Suits, high neck, low neck, knee and ankle length, Merette make, each ..... 45c

Ladies' Hose, assorted lot, Tan, Black and Fancy Embroidered, regular price 25c, a pair ..... 19c

Ladies' Black and Fancy Color Lisle thread Hose, 50c hose, a pair at ..... 39c

Ladies' Pure Silk and Silk Lisle Embroidered Hose, \$1.25 and \$1.50 goods, a pair ..... 98c

Ladies' Silk Gloves in Wrist and Elbow Lengths in Black, White, Grey, Pongee, and other colors, at reduced prices.

1 lot Black 16 button length, pure silk gloves, the \$1.50 quality, a pair ..... 98c

Children's Black and Tan Hose, seamless, a pair 8c; 2 pairs for 15c

Children's Medium Weight Ribbed Cotton Hose, a pair ..... 14c

Men's Union Suits, high neck, short and long sleeves, each ..... 90c

Men's Socks in a variety of solid colors and stripes, extra quality, a pair ..... 10c

Men's Fancy Socks, the 25c quality, a pair, 18c; 3 pairs for ..... 50c

Men's Soft Front Shirts, Coat, cuff attached, in Black and White and Fancy Effects, each ..... 45c

Men's Work Shirts, black Satin, Blue Chambray and Black and White Stripes, Splendid Value, each ..... 45c

### CLEARANCE

White Goods and Undergarments.

Bargains in Embroideries, Floucings, Galloons, Bands, Insertions, All-overs and Waistlings.

Bargains in Summer Dress Goods, Dress Linens and Sutlings, French Gingham, Poplins, Pique, Pongees, Voiles, Lawns, Batistes, Flaxons, Swiss and French Organies.

Bargains in Ladies' and Children's Muslin Underwear. Ladies' Gowns, 45c, 65c, 98c. Ladies' White Cambric Petticoats, 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98.

Bargains in Silk and Cotton Petticoats, Black Mercerized Satine, Heath-bloom and Fancy Gingham Skirts, \$1.25 and \$1.50 value at 98c.

Black and Colored Taffetas, \$5.00 value at \$3.98.

Bargains in Embroidered Dress Patterns and Net Robes. Former prices, \$7.50 to \$20.00; Sale price \$5.00 to \$9.50.

Bargains in Children's and Misses' Wash Dresses, both white and colored, 50c and 98c.

### Clearance Prices

#### In Ladies' Ready-to-wear Garments

THE ASSORTMENTS HAVE BEEN BROKEN, BUT

WE WILL HAVE OTHERS TO TAKE THE PLACE IN  
THE VARIOUS LINES OF READY-TO-WEAR GOODS.

See the Special Suits at ..... \$8.48

See the Special Coats at ..... \$4.48

See the Special Parasols at ..... \$1.18

See the Special Dress Skirts at ..... \$2.98

See the Special Waists at ..... \$1.98

See the Special Waists at ..... \$3.48

See the Special Silk Coats at ..... \$5.00

See the Special White Brilliantine Skirts at ..... \$3.48

### CLEARANCE

Silks and Dress Goods.

25 pieces 27-inch Jacquard granite weave, ground, silk and cotton goods, regular 58c quality, July sale price per yard ..... 35c

15 pieces Toulon silk. This is another shipment. The first lot sold in two days at 23c per yard. Goods worth 45c. July sale, per yard 19c

2 pieces 27-inch Pongee for coats and dresses; goods worth 75c; Sale price, per yard ..... 43c

15 pieces Jacquard Shantung, 50c quality; Sale price per yard 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c

5 pieces Crepe, 27 inches wide, worth 50c. Sale price per yard ..... 38c

2 pieces 36-inch Black Taffeta, goods worth \$1.00, Sale price per yd. 78c

1 piece black Peau de soie, 36 inches wide, \$1.50 quality, Sale price per yard ..... 98c

10 pieces fancy 27-inch taffeta, regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 quality. Sale price, per yard ..... 73c

5 pieces fancy Foulard silk, 24 inches wide, the 75c quality, Sale price per yard ..... 43c

### CLEARANCE

In the Notion Department. Bargains For All.

One lot Belt Pins, all shapes and sizes, set with beautiful stones. This is a large sample line picked up at a very low figure, regular price 25c to 35c each, Sale price each 15c

One great lot Hair Barrettes, every shape imaginable, including the new fine strand barrette with the durable clasp, easily worth 25c to 35c each; Sale price, each ..... 15c

One lot Dutch Collars, made of fine quality Swiss, Embroidery and Lace trimmed, both V and square neck, the only collar for real comfort during these hot days, regular price 25c to 35c, Sale price, each ..... 19c

200 Pcs. Ribbon, plain taffeta, satin taffeta, floral patterns, stripes and plaids, splendid quality, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches wide, worth from 35c to 60c per yard, Sale price per yd. 22c

One counter Laces, Torchons, Vals and Fancy Laces, 2 to 4 inches wide, worth from 5 to 15c per yard, Sale price, per yard ..... 30c

3 Gross Zedanta Tooth Paste, you know the reputation of this paste; nothing better made; regular price 25c per tube, Sale price per tube ..... 10c

One case Whitehouse Tooth Picks, whitest, smoothest polished tooth picks made, flat at one end and pointed at the other; 1,000 picks in a box. During this sale, these picks can be bought 3 boxes for 10c

One lot all Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, with  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch hem, next hand embroidered initial, regular price 15c to 25c, Sale price each ..... 10c

One Counter Corsets, all good models, long hip and medium bust, four and six hose supporters, some Jean, others batiste, regular price \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00; these will go during this sale at ..... One-half Price

### Clearance in the Curtin and Drapery Dept.

No. 1. One solid case, size 72x83, hemmed bed spread; well worth \$1.25 each. Sale price for 10 days, each ..... 22c per yd.

No. 2. Large assortment of striped tapestry couch covers. Very attractive; worth \$1.50. Sale price for 10 days, each ..... 50c to \$7.50 a pair

No. 3. Thirty-four patterns, 40-inch reversible stenciled Etamines in dark colors, suitable for halls, living rooms, dining rooms and libraries. Very choice indeed. Regular price 30c and 35c

20 patterns white and ecru Nottingham lace curtains, 48 to 60 inches wide, \$1.50 value. Sale price \$1

10 different patterns white and ecru mission net, 25 to 35c yard. Sale price ..... 23c Yd.

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