

SCHOOL CENSUS SHOWS GROWTH IN POPULATION

Increase in 1916 Over 1915 Heavy in Some Parts of State While in Others Slight Losses Are Shown.

BIGGEST GAINS MADE IN THE SOUTHEAST

Ada County Shows Loss of 225 in Children of School Age—Twin Falls County Has Biggest Gain, With Bannock Close Second.

The annual school census is undoubtedly the most reliable of all figures indicating the growth of the population of Idaho during the period of the 10 years following a federal census. Idaho's school population, which means the number of residents between the ages of 6 and 21, was 123,484 in 1915. In 1916 the number was 128,966, according to the certified reports of the county superintendents of public instruction filed in the office of the state board of education. This shows an increase of 452 for the entire state during the year. However, some counties show a very pronounced loss in school population.

Twin Falls is the banner county with a gain of 839 in the school population during the year. Bannock county is second with a gain of 794. Most of the counties showing losses are in northern Idaho, although Ada county is on the wrong side of the balance sheet, with a loss of 225.

County	1915	1916
Ada	1915	1916
Bannock	9,946	8,821
Bonneville	1,916	1,946
Bonanza	6,978	7,772
Bear Lake	3,159	2,882
Benevolence	1,799	1,874
Bingham	5,462	6,009
Blaine	2,766	2,789
Boise	1,141	1,561
Bonner	3,277	3,273
Bonneville	3,229	3,227
Boundary	1,959	1,950
Canyon	8,927	8,165
Cassia	4,481	4,848
Clearwater	1,265	1,286
Custer	846	928
Elmore	1,385	1,304
Franklin	3,595	3,624
Fremont	4,995	4,188
Gem	1,689	1,847
Gooding	1,535	1,640
Idaho	4,156	4,425
Jefferson	2,948	3,127
Kootenai	6,748	7,399
Latah	6,714	6,212
Lemhi	1,555	1,242
Madison	3,231	3,542
Lewis	2,124	2,225
Lincoln	1,514	1,666
Minidoka	2,159	2,429
Nox Perce	3,114	3,941
Oneida	2,911	2,977
Owyhee	1,955	1,124
Power	2,675	2,238
Shoshone	3,305	3,653
Teton	1,572	1,421
Twin Falls	6,154	6,992
Washington	3,960	3,730

Totals 123,484 128,966
GENERAL SCHOOL FUND GROWS.
It is interesting to note in this connection that the general school fund of the state has grown faster than the

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population during the past year. On Jan. 1, 1917, there remained in this fund to be apportioned during January, \$12,625.99. When distributed among the counties of the state on the basis of the county census given above, the per capita amount for each child of school age was \$1.0476. Last year in January the per capita distribution of this fund amounted to but \$0.8626 per child of school age while in January, 1915, the per capita amount was \$0.75628. In July, 1916 the amount from this source distributed among the public schools of the state was \$2,9914 per capita which added to the present distribution per capita of \$1.0476, gives approximately \$3.14 per pupil for the year. This is about 39 cents per pupil more than ever received before during a year and amounts to more than a 10 per cent increase over 1915. Thus it becomes apparent that the fund is not only growing fast enough to offset increase in school population, but gives a fine increase per capita in addition.

APPORTIONMENT BY COUNTIES.

Amounts as follows have recently been apportioned to the several counties at the office of the state board of education:
Ada, \$9,241; Adams, \$1,095.81; Bannock, \$8,142.95; Bear Lake, \$5,438.26; Benevolence, \$1,963.22; Bingham, \$6,295.11; Blaine, \$2,912.26; Boise, \$1,655.32; Bonanza, \$2,430.84; Bonneville, \$3,580.84; Boundary, \$1,099.99; Canyon, \$8,555.77; Cassia, \$7,078.82; Clearwater, \$1,451.99; Custer, \$972.19; Elmore, \$1,366.99; Franklin, \$2,786.55; Fremont, \$4,387.41; Gem, \$1,924.94; Gooding, \$1,718.99; Idaho, \$4,321.41; Jefferson, \$2,275.89; Kootenai, \$6,275.21; Latah, \$6,270.92; Lemhi, \$1,406.94; Madison, \$3,719.65; Lewis, \$2,320.94; Lincoln, \$1,745.32; Minidoka, \$2,544.65; Nox Perce, \$5,281.02; Oneida, \$2,318.75; Owyhee, \$1,177.52; Power, \$2,344.56; Shoshone, \$3,828.93; Teton, \$1,488.66; Twin Falls, \$7,325.96; Washington, \$2,353.59. Total, \$124,163.69.

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DIRECTORS ELECTED BY THE IDAHO-OREGON GROWERS

At the fourth annual meeting of the Idaho-Oregon Fruit Growers' association held at Payette last week the annual report was presented, showing that the first issue of reserve notes were called in for payment six months before maturity, and that the resources of the association are such that after taking account of all liabilities and making liberal allowance for any doubtful accounts there remains a substantial balance on hand.
Directors were elected as follows: George C. Miles, Council; L. H. Tschirgi, Brogan; A. J. Shearer, Payette, and Frank B. Surple; and officers, D. L. Ingard, president; J. H. Lowell, vice president, and A. J. Shearer, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Shearer was also elected manager.

Robert Burns, Scotland's Plowman Poet, Was Born 159 Years Ago Today



Robert Burns, born January 25, 1759.

Today is the anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, Scotland's most famous poet. The day is being honored throughout the "plowman poet's" native land and wherever Scotch hearts beat.

What Carlyle Thought of Burns

A certain rugged sterling worth pervades whatever Burns has written; a virtue, as of green fields and mountain breezes, dwells in his poetry; it is redolent of natural life, and hardy natural men. There is a decisive strength in him, and yet a sweet native gracefulness; he is tender, and he is vehement, yet without constraint, or too visible effort, he melts the heart or inflames it, with a power which seems habitual and familiar to him. We see in him the gentleness, the trembling pity of a woman, with the deep earnestness, the force and passionate ardor of a hero. Tears lie in him, and consuming fire, as lightning lurks in the drops of a summer cloud. He has a resonance in his bosom for every note of human feeling; the high and low, the sad and the ludicrous, the joyful, are welcome in their turns to his "lightly-moved" and all-conceiving spirit. * * * No poet of any age or nation is more graphic than Burns; the characteristic features disclose themselves at a glance; three lines from his hand, and we have a likeness. And in that rough dialect, so clear and definite a likeness! It seems a draughtsman working with a burnt stick; and yet the burn of a Retzsch is no more expressive or exact. * * * No one, at all events, is ignorant that in the poetry of Burns keenness of insight keeps pace with keenness of feeling; that his light is not more pervading than his warmth. He is a man of the most impassioned temper; with passions not strong only, but noble, and of the sort in which great virtues and great poems take their rise. It is reverence, it is love toward all Nature that inspires him, that opens his eyes to its beauty, and that makes heart and voice eloquent in its praise.

* * * Burns, indeed, lives in sympathy; his soul rushes forth into all realms of being; nothing that has existence can be indifferent to him. The very Devil he cannot hate with right orthodoxy!—Thomas Carlyle, Essay on Burns.

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AMUSEMENTS

THE ISIS.

Fannie Ward, Lasky star, is presented at the Isis theater the rest of this week in the feature photoplay, "Betty to the Rescue." Her assisting cast includes her husband, Jack Dean, Lillian Leighton, James Neill, Charles West and Ted Duncan. The locale of the story the film tells is the orange country of California. The heroine is left an apparently valueless mine by her father. She and her sister depend on an orange grove for money for their schooling, but a frost wipes out the crop. A mining operator who knows that the mine is valuable, tries to secure her hand in marriage, but she refuses. How she meets the hero of the play and they find that she is rich, furnishes a heart interest motive to the play.

THE STRAND.

The Bluebird feature, "The Stranger From Somewhere," in which Franklyn Farnum and Agnes Vernon have the lead, closes its engagement at the Strand tonight. The plot of the film is built around a bawdy game, though it is played as a straight comedy with a few big thrills in the course of the action. The leading character is a cowboy into whose life come two women—a blonde and a brunette, the latter the adventuress. Both Mr. Farnum and Miss Vernon are good in their roles and Claire MacDowell as the adventuress gave an interesting characterization. The photography of the picture is excellent.

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