# WOMEN MAKE CHURCHES

### In Every Denomination Except One They Outnumber the Men

Washington, Aug. 20.—Standing out as a conspicuous feature of a bulletin issued today by the census bureau entitled "Census of Religious Bodies," is the fact that out of a church membership in the United States in 1906 of nearly 33 million men formed less than half of the total.

Of the total church membership reported by the various religious bodies and classified by sex, 43.1 per cent were men and 56.9 per cent were women. Among the Protestants the difference was greater, 39.3 per cent being men, while in the Roman Catholic Church the men formed 49.3 per cent of the total membership. Fewer men than women were found among the Latter Day Saints, the Lutherans, Disciples, Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians and Protestant Episcopalians, the percentage of men members decreasing in the order shown, there being only 35.5 per cent men among the Episcopalians. Among the Christian Scientists only 26.7 per cent were men.

Other salient features of the report show that there were 1¼ billion dollars invested in church edifices and that every day eight new churches sent their spires skyward. Of the total estimated population of Continental United States in 1906, the church members formed 39.1 per cent, as against 32.7 per cent for 1890. Of this 6.4 per cent increase the Roman Catholic church is credited with 4.4 per cent and the Protestants with 1.8, the remainder, being divided among all other denominations.

The total membership for 1906 was 32,936,445, of which number the Protestants were credited with 20,287,742 and the Roman Catholics with 12,079,142. Of the Protestant bodies the Methodists numbered 5,749,838, the Baptists 5,662,234, the Lutherans 2,112,494, the Presbyterians 1,830,555 and the Disciples or Christians 1,142,359.

The rate of increase shown for the Roman Catholic Church is 93.5 per cent, which is more than twice that for all the Protestant bodies combined.

### Demonstrates Figs Can Be Raised in Missouri

That tropical fruits are just as much in evidence right here in the Ozarks as the famous red apple has been proved by M. B. Wallace, who resides at 842 South street. Mr. Wallace has experimented in the raising of figs from trees which were brought here from Georgia and planted within the borders of the Queen City of the Ozarks. So far the experiment has been a successful attempt at transplanting the more southernly fruit into this colder climate.

One of these trees has yielded Mr. Wallace a crop of 200 figs. One of the trees, measuring eight feet in height, bore an especially large crop and it was from this that the most of the figs were gathered. The trees bear two crops every year and Mr. Wallace is preparing to harvest the second one soon, the first having been gathered in July. Mr. Wallace proudly exhibited a specimen of the fruit that measured five and one-half inches in circumference.—Springfield Republican.

### The "Black Hand" in Wichita

Wichita, Kan., Aug. 20.—W. G. Bennett, a contractor of this city, received a "Black Hand" letter yesterday, ordering him to leave $1,000 in a bucket last night near a tree close to the business district of the city His 16-year-old son was threatened with death if the money was not left. Detectives watched a dummy package left by the tree throughout the night, but no one came for it.

### Verona News.

From The Advocate

W. M. Lee was a Monett visitor Wednesday afternoon.

G. A. and Frank Browning drove to Monett and return Thursday.

Loy Huffman and Alma McFadden went to Monett Wednesday evening.

J. W. Berry had his wheat threshed this week which made seventeen bushels to the acre and tested full sixty pounds to the bushel.

### Inspired

Over in Joplin they have a near poet who felt inspired to write the following one hot Sunday recently:

"If in church you sing a song, cut it short! let the sermon not be long, cut it short! if perchance you say a prayer, in this hot and sweltering air, lest the congregation swear, cut it short!"

### Zinc Ore Still Gone Up

Joplin, Mo., Aug. 30.—Zinc ore took an unprecedented leap in price today, the offerings of buyers suddenly and unexpectedly going from $48 basis of 60 per cent ore to $52.50. Last week's highest base price was $50.50, and this week it seemed that the demand was lighter. The buyers were reluctant about making offers at stronger than $48 until one buyer uncorked a big sensation by offering $52.50 for a big bin.

### Harriman and Roosevelt Were Not More Practical

A professor at a well known engineering college says that but for occasional innovations in the application of learning, such as the following, he would find it hard to judge the extent of his usefulness.

This question was asked upon an examination paper: "What steps would you take in determining the height of a building, using an aneroid barometer?"

The answer was: "I would lower the barometer by a string and measure the string." — Everybody's Magazine.

### Arrested For Felonious Assault

Sheriff Newman was called to Ash township about midnight Sunday night, and arrested Bud and Sidney Clontz, charging them with feloniously assaulting a young man named Dalton, at a camp meeting on Measles Prairie. The Clontz boys used a knife on Dalton and Dalton had a pair of knuckles that he used on the Clontz's. Dalton was cut in five places, on head shoulder and side, but not serious. Sidney Clontz's head was badly bruised up with the knuckles. Sheriff Newman took the Clontz boys to Washburn before Squire McCary who held them in the sum of $200 each. Their examination was set for Aug. 24, at Washburn.—Cassville Democrat

Deputy Sheriff Thomas last week brought from Miami, Okla., and lodged in jail two young men who were arrested at that place having in their possession goods that were stolen from the houses of some of our citizens on Wednesday of last week, the day Robinson's circus was here. A boy who was with them was also arrested, but was turned over to Joplin officers to answer to charges against him in the criminal court there. They confessed to the stealing and informed the officers where they had hidden part of the stolen goods, most of which has been recovered and returned to the owners.—Neosho Miner and Mechanic.

M. W. Pitts presented us with a specimen of his Elberta peaches. The peach was 10⅝ inches in circumference and perfect in form and coloring. All the fruit on the tree was about equal in size and quality.

V. E. Clinton, with his family, returned to Carthage Saturday after a short visit in the city with relatives and friends. The TIMES will keep them posted on affairs in their old home town.

### Peirce City News.

From the Leader.

Dr. G. W. Lidwell, formerly of our city, has moved from DeSoto, Mo., to Memphis, Tenn., so his son, Harrold, who graduated from High School last term at DeSoto, can enter college at Memphis.

Mr. N. N. Hoover came in Sunday to spend a few days with his family. He has been in Southeast Missouri buying and shipping peaches.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Solomon and children of Denver, Colo., are here on a visit to home folks,

Earl Kelley has been on a trip through the great western country and on his return to McAlester, Okla., stopped off here to visit home folks.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wiseman, Friday, a son.

### Triplets, 72, Are All Misses

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 20.—The arrival of Miss Mary Hobbs, of Atlanta, Ga., reunited the three oldest living unmarried triplets in the world. Misses Clara and Priscilla Hobbs have been living in Seattle for ten years. The women are each 72 years old and neither has ever been proposed to by any man.

The famous triplets were born in Savannah, Ga., George Hobbs and his wife, the parents of the three women, having died just after the Civil War. For many years the three women lived far apart, and it was but ten years ago the Misses Clara and Priscilla decided to live near each other.

Miss Mary will now make her home with her sisters. Together the three aged women visited the exhibits at the exposition. The three women are as happy as school children.

### Mt. Vernon Is After Line To Springfield

An organized effort is being made by the business men of Mt. Vernon, Mo., to have the Missouri Pacific Railroad company build a branch line from Carl's lake to that place, which could later be extended to Springfield. Representatives of the sanatorium at that place and of the business men have been sent to St. Louis to confer with officials of the company relative to the extension. It is asserted that there is little doubt but the spur to Mt. Vernon a distance of but three miles will be obtained.

Due to a disagreement with the Frisco over switching facilities, it is said the merchants of the town will give a reasonable bonus to secure the spur with the understanding that it will be at some time in the future extended to Springfield, a distance of less than twenty-five miles.—Springfield Republican.

W. W. Eddington was acquitted by a jury in criminal court yesterday on the charge of felonious assault on R. M. Sellers. Eddington pleaded the unwritten law, he having found Sellers and Mrs. Eddington together in the waiting room of a southside store. The meeting was on June 7 and Eddington procured a revolver and shot Sellers in the head, the wound proving serious, but not fatal. Endington was accompanied in court by his two little daughters, who sat through the trial and heard testimony relating to the liaisons of their mother and Sellers.—Springfield Republican.

W. E. Foster, 19 years old, was killed early yesterday morning near Carl Junction by Frisco train No. 136 in charge of Conductor J. A. Johnson and Engineer A. D. Woodruff. The boy was first discovered when the train was 250 feet from him. His head was resting on the rail. Brakes were applied but were of no avail as the train was going at the rate of thirty miles an hour. The boy was instantly killed. The body was put in charge of a section foreman and is now at Carbool.—Springfield Republican.

### Good Drawers.

It takes a rich man to draw a check, a pretty girl to draw attention, a horse to draw a cart, a porous plaster to draw the skin, a toper to draw a cork, a free lunch to draw a crowd, and an advertisement in your home paper to draw trade. Send in your ad for the drawing.

### For County Clerk,

Leading Democrats inform us that W. F. Stewart, of Shoal Creek township is being boomed by his friends for the office of County Clerk. Mr. Stewart was formerly a member of the County Court and made an enviable record. If he should decide to enter the race he will have an excellent chance for a nomination and election.

### Seared With a Hot Iron

Or scalded by overturned kettle—cut with a knife—bruised by slammed door—injured by gun or in any other way—the thing needed at once is Bucklen's Arnica Salve to subdue inflammation and kill the kill the pain. It's earth's supreme healer, infallible for Boils, Ulcers, Fever Sores, Eczema and Piles. 25c at A. H. Cox O Co's.

### Operation For The Musical Touch.

A baseball player has two fingers of his right hand pretty badly bunged up in practice, and on his way home from the grounds he dropped into a doctor's office to have it attended to.

"Doctor," he asked anxiously as he was leaving, "when this paw of mine heals will I be able to play the piano?"

"Certainly you will," the doctor assured him.

"Well, then, you'r a wonder, Doc. I never could before."—Everybody's Magazine.

### The Price of Ignorance

About the tenth of last July 209 cars of peaches reached New York market and more than a hundred fruit cars came in the next day. Two things happened. Perhaps 150 cars sold for barely enough to pay transportation charges, and tons of peaches were dumped into the bay by order of the New York Board of Health.

It was the harvest for the buyer and the speculator. He picked up the choicest fruit by the carload—in most instances for just enough to pay transportation charges from Georgia—reshipped them to his own market and sold them for a good price. In these smaller markets, remote from New York, they were short of peaches, and eager to pay good prices for them. But this the distant grower did not know. Lack of organization, of intelligent cooperation on the part of growers wrought their own destruction. Their orchard toil was more misspent than the strength of Samson who shook the temple pillars and brought the ruins down upon his own back! The advantage which the buyers in remote markets took of "the New York peach glut was a legitimate one."—Forrest Crissey, in the September Everybody's.

Suppose the zinc ore tariff does add a dollar or two to the price of a ton of ore, do you know what it cost to get it? The tariff bill being nothing but a bunch of trade and barter Charley Morgan and others had to vote against free lumber, leather, harness, shoes, etc., cheaper woolen and cotton goods, agricultural implements, sugar and a hundred other things, that the mine owners, many of whom do not live in the districts, might get more for their ore. It looks like "robbing Peter to pay Paul."—Mt. Vernon Chieftain.

One by one the merchants are going to a cash basis in doing business. This is a move in the right direction and will prove best for the buyers as well as the sellers. You can buy more goods and don't have to carry the deadbeats.—Mexico Ledger.

Miss Dot Fly and little sister returned to their home at Purdy Tuesday after a visit with Mrs. J. A. Johnson.

# LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Lon Thomas and children visited in Peirce City Sunday.

"Deere" Buggies are good. They also have style.

Miss Grace Fly returned to her home at Purdy Saturday evening.

Mrs. O. Barker and Miss Flossie Charles visited in Purdy Sunday.

Mrs. Solon Wright and children visited in Peirce City Sunday.

Percy Johnson visited in Purdy Sunday.

Miss Ina Boucher visited in Monett Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Keithley visited in Sarcoxie Sunday.

W. L. Fly returned Saturday from Hot Springs.

Dr. Ellis Jones of Keifer, Ok., is visiting in the city.

Chas. McCracken visited his parents at Sarcoxie Sunday.

Mrs. C. C. Cooke went to Rogers, Ark., Monday to visit relatives.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chastain Sunday, a daughter.

Miss Beulah Powers went to Springfield Saturday.

Mrs. C. R. McAllister went to Springfield Saturday.

Mrs. P. F. Ferguson and daughters Jessie and Jewell are visiting relatives on Stones Prairie.

Mrs. J. B. Kreyer, of Carthage, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Perry.

Mrs. W. M. Jones, of Fordsville, Ky., is visiting her son, Dr. A. Jones and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Duckett are the parents of a girl born Saturday August 21.

Mrs. Chas. McNeil and childrer, of Rogers, Ark., are visiting in the city.

Miss Zella Ash has returned from a visit to her grandparents in Illinois.

Mr. Thrall is very ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. B. Woodruff.

Harry Kirk is having a bath room built to his cottage on Fourth street.

Ernest Johnson and Miss Claudia Snider went to Sarcoxie Sunday to visit friends.

Miss Luella C. Clark, of Girard, Kan., is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Morse on 4th street.

Misses Ensminger and Jessie Wilson visited Miss Elsie Salzer Sunday.

Mrs. Carl Boyer returned to her home at Trinidad, Colo., after a visit with Monett friends.

Mrs. E. E. Burke and little daughter, Vivian, of Parsons, are visiting with Mrs. Ketring.

The Rogersville boys played a good clean game Saturday afternoon.

Titus Burris, who attended the Normal school in Springfield, visited in Monett Friday.

J. B. Williams and his niece Miss Pearl Osborn have returned to Republic.

Miss Alexander, of Mt. Vernon, visited with Miss Genie Price, Friday on her way to Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Julia Brown and Miss Sybil Bennett have returned from a visit at Fairview.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stringer and Walter Stringer, of California have moved to Monett.

H. P. S. Burke went to Peirce City Saturday. He took his little son Allen who will visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Spilman in the country.

The wonders of Southwest Missouri in agricultural matters are being developed year by year. A Stoddard county farmer has raised a crop of red onions which netted him $560 per acre. He produced 500 bushels on one and a half acres at a total cost of about $80. He sold the crop for a dollar a bushel.—Doniphan Prospect-News.

Mrs. Lacey of Kansas City, is visiting R. F. Rabon and family.

C. A. Andrews, of Sapulpa, Ok., visited in Monett Monday.

Mrs. Dimmit Wainright is visiting relatives at Shelbyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Medlin visited in Purdy Sunday.

Chas. Maxwell had his tonsils removed Monday by Dr. A. Jones.

J. F. Mermoud, south of town has just put in a fine 30 light Acetyline lighting plant.

Mrs. M. Bentley was severely burned about her head and face last week by gasoline.

Voyle Kirkpatrick of Sallisaw, Ok., visited here Sunday and Monday.

Robert Montgomery, of Liberty township, was in the city on business Tuesday.

Mrs. C. T. Dusenbury returned Tuesday from a three weeks visit to relatives in Illinois.

Mrs. Dameron and daughter, Miss Myrtle left Monday for their home at Springfield.

Mrs. Mace, Mrs. J. A. Mace, Mrs. W. E. Thornburg and Mrs. Collins went to Joplin Tuesday.

Dr. Jones performed an operation on the 10-year-old son of Mrs. May Jameson Monday for cross eyes.

Mrs. Geo. Morrow entertained at her home on Fourth street Monday evening.

Miss Bertha Campbell departed Monday for Las Animas, Colo., to visit her uncle J. W. Campbell and family.

Miss Dorothy Clark, of Warrensburg and Miss Bess Hammer, of Sarcoxie, visited Miss Claudia Snider last Friday.

O'Dwyer & Brown report the sale of the J. E. Sater residence property on Marshall Hill to T. G. Blankenship.

Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Hagler have gone to Sitton, Tex., to visit Mrs. Haglers parent's Mr. and Mrs. McGuffin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harvey left Saturday for Kansas City. From there they will go east for a sightseeing trip.

Mr. Roulon and family, who had been visiting relatives here departed Sunday for Los Angeles, Cal., to make their home.

Mrs. Jas. A. Boothe, Mrs. J. W. Clark and Perry Boothe, mother, sister and nephew, of Mrs. W. L. Morse left Monday for their home at Girard, Kan.

We are told that the last chip floater had in this vicinity was on July 20th. Rather a long time between drinks for the fields and lawns.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett of Louisville, Ky., passed through Monett in their touring car Monday. They were on their way to Sarcoxie to look after some mining property.

Sam Bartley who was fined $20 and costs for taking a coat and vest from D. H. Howard was taken to Cassville Monday by Sheriff Newman.

Mrs. DeWitt of Harrisonville, visited friends in Monett Monday night. She was on her way to Fayetteville, Ark., to visit her son, J. W. DeWitt and family.

R. D. Traughber sold most of his household effects Saturday and expects to leave next week for Washington. He will make his future home either in that state or in Oregon. His family will go with him.

The Purdy band has been secured to play for the A. H. T. A. picnic at Bethel Springs, Thursday. For a pleasant outing our readers cannot do better than attend this picnic.

Ben Denney, a Springfield boy, is being held by the Ft. Scott police until his father comes after him. The boy was induced to leave home by the reading of yellow back novels and other trash, so he told the Ft. Scott police.

Geo. Tepton, who was up before Judge Jewett charged with taking emery wheels and blacksmith tools from the shop of the Barsley Bros. Cutlery Co., was fined $20.00 and costs which he paid and was released.

The Baptist Ladies Aid Society held an experience meeting and program at Dreamland Monday night. The ladies stated their experience in earning a dollar for the new church. A good sum of money was taken in for admission to the entertainment.