

Baptists Lead Church Growth in Banner Year

Gain of 761,727 Puts Denomination Ahead in 1921, According to Church Increase Census.

A year of big gains for organized churches was 1921, according to a complete census of religions in the United States, compiled by Dr. H. K. Carroll, first minister to attempt this work. The grand total of membership is 41,533,206, he states.

A copy of his report was submitted to The Bee by Rev. C. C. Cissell of Methodist Episcopal headquarters.

"The disastrous ebb of 1919 is well past," according to Carroll. Baptists lead in the increase with total of 761,727, as against 667,007 reported in 1920. The Methodist group grew to the remarkable extent of 300,000, nearly a third of this credited however to the Colored Methodist Episcopal church.

The M. E. church proper has an increase of 118,037, and the M. E. church, South, 83,000.

Salvation Army Grows. Presbyterian group advanced by 62,649 and Lutherans 18,000. The Salvation Army has a large increase, 59,247.

The gain of the Roman Catholic church appears much smaller than usual. In 1920 it was 127,579; this year it is under 50,000, the smallest figure reported in many years.

The Polish National church, an offshoot of the Roman Catholic, reports a net gain of 26,000.

The Eastern Orthodox group shows gains in the Armenian Apostolic, the Russian Orthodox and the Hellenic churches. The Russian revision covers several years.

The Disciples of Christ registered an advance of nearly 24,000. The Latter Day Saints, Utah branch, gained 45,000, and the Reorganized branch, 2,496.

The Friends suffer a net loss of 1,903, and the Christian church of 7,306.

The Pentecostal group of Holiness churches shows a net gain of upwards of 15,000 members. That of the Apostolic Holiness branch covers several years.

The increase of the Protestant Episcopal church is 5,768, which is rather under its usual gain.

The United Brethren in Christ makes an advance of 13,245 and the Evangelical association and United Evangelical church of 4,617.

Many Mormon Ministers. The number of ministers reported in connection with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Mormon, 4,718, is abnormally large, averaging more than four to each church.

The Theosophical society does not appear this year in the list of religions. It has upward of 54,000 members under the leadership of Madame Katherine Tingley, Point Loma, Cal.

The Unitarian church submitted a statement of 103,421 membership, without mentioning its increase. This group has 406 churches.

The grand total is now 43,523,206. In 1911 it was 36,095,685. There has accordingly been a net gain in the 10 years of 7,427,521, which is at the rate of 742,752 a year, or somewhat more than 2 per cent.

This is a low rate, but the period covers the years of the great war. The total of ministers, 191,414, shows an increase of 1,791, absorbed largely by the Roman Catholic church, 316; the Dunkard Brethren, 214; the Lutheran group, 350; the Methodist group, 529; the Pentecostal churches, 220; the Salvation Army, 810, and the Utah Latter Day Saints, 69.

The aggregate of churches, 230,572, shows a small increase, 88, in place of a decrease in the previous year of 1,030. The Methodist group loses 268, the Lutheran, 132; the Presbyterian, 26; the United Brethren, 39; the Protestant Episcopal church, 38, and so on. The Adventists lose 73 and the Disciples of Christ, 132. The chief gains are of the Roman Catholic church, 122, and the Pentecostal bodies, 371.

Uni School if Oratory Plans Extensive Program. The school of oratory of the University of Omaha, under direction of Dr. W. Gilbert James, dean of the college, announces an extensive program for the closing months of the school year.

When a Feller Needs a Friend, recently chosen by the Players' club, will be staged in April. Students in dramatic art will take an active part in recital work and gala day exercises.

Miss Pearl Pearson and Leslie Van Ostrand have been chosen as leads in the senior play. Officers who will take part include Kenneth Baker, Marjorie Current, Merrill Russell, Marie Pellegrin, Edith Munson, Robert Jenkins, Carl Poppino and Lillian Baker.

Courses in public speaking, dramatic art and individual instruction are given as the oratory department features. The school of oratory has been established for three years, but under Dr. James' direction more extensive plans will be made.

Omaha "Perfect Backs" Will Be Shown in Movies. The Omaha angle of the national \$1,500 "perfect back" contest staged by the Omaha Osteopath association will be shown in Pathe News reel at these Omaha theaters: Strand, four days beginning Sunday; Orpheum, seven days beginning Sunday; Music, two days beginning April 14; Ambassador, April 15; Palm, April 16; Rex, April 19; Gem, April 20; at the Strand in Council Bluffs for three days beginning April 6, and at the Lyric in Lincoln three days beginning April 30.

The reel shows examinations by Omaha osteopaths of contestants in the "perfect back" contest and shows little Elsie Reed, 6, of Havelock, Neb., natural-born contortionist, untangle herself before the board of examiners.

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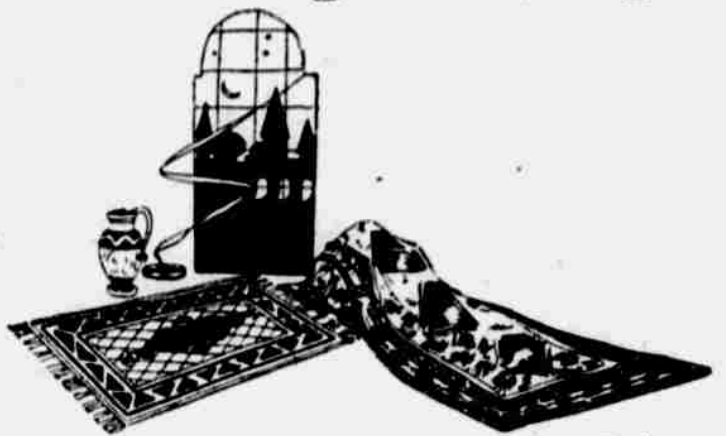
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