

# SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

## THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES

THE Department of Commerce announces an estimate of the population of the United States made by the Bureau of the Census. This gives a total estimated population of 120,013,000 on July 1, 1928, as compared with 105,710,620 on January 1, 1920. The total is arrived at by estimating the increase since 1920 upon the basis of the available data regarding births, deaths, immigration and emigration. The population of the several states is then estimated by distributing the total increase for the United States upon the basis of the increase by states from 1910 to 1920 or, where there has been a state census, from 1920 to 1925, except that where there was a decrease between 1910 and 1920 or between 1920 and 1925, the 1920 or 1925 census figure is retained, and no estimate is made:

	Census Jan. 1, '20	Estimated July 1, '28
United States .....	105,710,620	120,013,000*
Alabama .....	2,348,174	2,573,000
Arizona .....	334,162	474,000
Arkansas .....	1,752,204	1,944,000
California .....	3,426,861	4,556,000
Colorado .....	939,629	1,090,000
Connecticut .....	1,380,631	1,667,000
Delaware .....	223,003	244,000
District of Columbia.....	437,571	552,000
Florida .....	968,470	1,411,000
Georgia .....	2,895,832	3,203,000
Idaho .....	431,866	546,000
Illinois .....	6,483,280	7,396,000
Indiana .....	2,930,390	3,176,000
Iowa .....	2,401,021	2,428,000
Kansas .....	1,769,257	1,835,000
Kentucky .....	2,416,630	2,553,000
Louisiana .....	1,798,509	1,950,000
Maine .....	768,014	795,000
Maryland .....	1,449,661	1,616,000
Massachusetts .....	3,852,356	4,290,000
Michigan .....	3,668,412	4,591,000
Minnesota .....	2,387,125	2,722,000
Mississippi .....	1,790,618	1,790,618†
Missouri .....	3,404,055	3,523,000
Montana .....	548,889	548,889‡
Nebraska .....	1,296,372	1,408,000
Nevada .....	77,407	77,407†
New Hampshire .....	443,083	456,000
New Jersey .....	3,155,900	3,821,000
New Mexico .....	360,350	396,000
New York .....	10,385,227	11,550,000
North Carolina .....	2,539,123	2,938,000
North Dakota .....	646,872	641,192§
Ohio .....	5,759,394	6,826,000
Oklahoma .....	2,028,283	2,426,000
Oregon .....	786,389	902,000

Pennsylvania .....	8,720,017	9,854,000
Rhode Island .....	604,397	716,000
South Carolina .....	1,683,724	1,864,000
South Dakota .....	636,547	704,000
Tennessee .....	2,337,865	2,502,000
Texas .....	4,663,228	5,487,000
Utah .....	449,396	331,000
Vermont .....	352,428	352,428†
Virginia .....	2,309,187	2,575,000
Washington .....	1,356,621	1,587,000
West Virginia .....	1,463,701	1,724,000
Wisconsin .....	2,632,067	2,953,000
Wyoming .....	194,402	247,000

\* Provisional estimate data regarding births, deaths, immigration and emigration from 1927 to 1928 not being available.

† Population, January 1, 1920; decrease 1910 to 1920.

‡ Population, January 1, 1920.

§ Population, State Census, 1925.

## APPROPRIATIONS BY THE COMMON-WEALTH FUND

THE board of directors of the Commonwealth Fund at their February meeting appropriated \$358,438 for the fund's rural hospital program. During the last two years five awards have been made under this program for hospitals in Farmville, Va.; Glasgow, Ky.; Farmington, Me.; Beloit, Kans., and Wauseon, Ohio. In each case the Commonwealth Fund provides two thirds of the cost of construction and equipment, while the community pays the remainder of the cost and assumes the expense of operation.

At the same meeting \$27,000 was appropriated for fellowships in psychiatry at the University of Colorado Medical School. Six such fellowships, each with a stipend of \$4,500 for two years' study, will be offered to graduates of class A medical schools who intend to specialize in psychiatry. The University of Colorado, in affiliation with the Colorado Psychopathic Hospital, which was opened three years ago under the direction of Dr. Franklin Ebaugh, is regarded as offering unique opportunities for the training of psychiatrists in that part of the country.

Five three-year fellowships for psychiatrists at the Henry Phipps Psychiatric Clinic, under the direction of Dr. Adolph Meyer, the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, were also provided for with a grant of \$45,000.

A grant of \$4,750 for operating expenses was made to the New York City Committee on Mental Hygiene with a possibility of renewal for two subsequent years. This committee was organized in May, 1927, as one of the local branches of the New York State Committee on Mental Hygiene affiliated with the State Charities Aid Association. Dr. C. Floyd Haviland, superintendent of the Manhattan State Hospital, is chairman