

The Census and Persons Away From Home During June.

The count of the people in the United States will begin in all parts of the country June 1, and end in the cities two weeks later and in the rest of the country before the close of the month. The people are to be counted at their places of residence, but as many persons and families will be away from their homes during June there is some danger that such persons will not be counted. If they are not counted, the locality in which they live will be misrepresented to that extent, and in some cases this misrepresentation may be enough to effect the representation in Congress of the state from which they come. Local pride and state pride, therefore, should influence all such absentees to take reasonable precaution against being omitted from enumeration in their places of residence. Such omissions are most likely to occur in the large cities where families close their homes and go elsewhere for the summer. The occurrence of the Paris exposition this year is likely to increase the number absent from the country.

In all cases of contemplated absence the head of the family is requested by the census office to communicate with the supervisor of the district in which he lives. He is also requested to leave information regarding his answer to the questions which are to be asked with some responsible neighbor who will agree to see that it reaches the enumerator on his grounds. Such information might better be left as a memorandum in writing, as in that case it is likely to be overlooked. The questions