

Dear Brother

Stuart's Cabin, April 10, 1930

We rolled up the coast line since 8:30 this morning, 215 miles, and put up for the night at 5 o'clock. We are both feeling fine, had a good day driving along by the ocean, also some mountain and canyon drive. The live oaks are much larger as we go further north and they slope so pretty with the hills. The ocean, the mountain scenery with the finest roads seemed the most graceful to us today. We were glad to get out into good clear sailing once more, away from the big city of Los Angeles, where we have been for five months and three days. It does not seem that long though. It was rather hard to pull away though we had been wanting to come north for some time. We are glad to tell you we left the folks feeling quite well. Ruth is much better than she was. The rains are over with and the country here is in its prettiest stage. We got out in the orange section just before we left and got a nice box of oranges at 40c per lb. also 10 lbs. walnuts at 24c per lb. so we have quite desirable eating. Then our friends whom we have gotten acquainted with started us out with some fine chicken for our lunches, with cakes and two boxes of home made candy. We also had 15 quarts of the most appetizing strawberries, given us the day before we started. I made them up in jam, goes pretty nice with whole wheat bread and butter. Well all I lacked was some of that nice Jersey butter like you make. Ha! Ha!

We expect to stop a few days along the coast at Santa Cruz, San Jose, Palo Alto, Pacific Grove, Carmel by the Sea and thence to Daly City, a small town or suburb of San Francisco where we have friends. We expect to visit Yosemite N. T. L. Park and from there to Yakima, Washington, a most wonderful fruit valley.

While Southern Calif. is very nice for winter, I like the northern part for summer. We are planning on getting some nice trout up this way, wish you were along to help eat it. We saw corn up knee high today and the farmers had their ground ready for beans. We saw some very rich fertile soil in the valleys, it was good to get out where we could see farm industry again.

Well, its 9:30 and Orris is fast asleep. We are right near the ocean tonight, just a stone's throw. Trust this finds you well and all the rest of the folks well and happy.
Sister Sylvia and Orris.

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EATON POPULATION INCREASES 1,506

Census Shows That 31,243 Persons Are Living in County; Towns Listed

The 1930 population of Eaton county was announced at the census bureau here Thursday noon as 31,243. This is an increase over the 1920 census of 1,506 or 5.6 per cent. The 1920 census gave Eaton county a population of 29,737.

Of the 26 cities, villages and townships reporting, 14 showed increases in population during the past decade, and 12 showed decreases.

The largest township in the county is Delta with 1,441 population. This is an increase from 1,255 in 1920. Charlotte is the largest city in the county with 5,307. Grand Ledge is second with 3,571 and Eaton Rapids third with 2,818. All three cities showed increases in population over the 1920 figures.

The 1930 population shows a total of 3,304 farms in the county as compared with 3,541 in 1920, or a decrease of 237.

The following table shows the comparative populations for 1930 and 1920 for each city, village and township in the county.

	1930	1920
Bellevue village	1,029	1,035
Bellevue township	1,021	972
Pottersville village	492	330
Benton township	827	861
Brookfield township	933	878
Carmel township	806	860
Charlotte City	5,307	5,210
Chester township	1,011	1,358
Delta township	1,441	1,255
Eaton township	823	807
Eaton Rapids city	2,818	2,370
Eaton Rapids township	1,035	898
Grand Ledge city	3,571	3,043
Hanlin township	847	855
Kalamo township	953	1,082
Oneida township	1,193	1,064
Multiken village	309	290
Rosand township	867	1,021
Sunfield village	337	456
Sunfield township	990	925
Vermontville village	582	588
Vermontville township	784	500
Chiret village	560	845
Walton township	834	360
Burndale village	545	360
Windsor village	1,253	1,334