

1895 Census of Students at Concordia College

St. Paul, Minnesota

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Concordia College in St. Paul, Minnesota began in 1893 as a school to prepare church workers. Concordia was affiliated with the Missouri Lutheran Synod and its ethnic background was German. The first head of the school was Reverend Theodore H. C. Buenger, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church in St. Paul. The first three year class met at a building near the Zion Lutheran Church. The early classes were actually high school classes. In 1894 the school acquired the buildings that had formerly been the state training school for boys which had moved to Red Wing in 1890. After completing studies at the St. Paul school, the pre-ministerial students went on to Concordia in Milwaukee. Those who wished to teach went to school in Addison, Illinois. In 1905 Concordia began its first actual college class and remains at this same St. Paul site today.

In 1895 Concordia was located in Ward 11 of St. Paul and its neighbors included Macalester College and the College of St. Thomas. The census listings for those two colleges merely gave the students' names and had a margin notation of "do not count in the census". The enumerator for Concordia (Theo. Buenger) listed the permanent places of residence for the students. No other information is included on this part of the census. Since the students were not counted in the census it might be hoped that they were also listed in the actual census listings for their families if they were Minnesota residents. The names on the census were not in alphabetical order and the 1895 Minnesota State Census is indexed only for Anoka through Big Stone Counties. This is a card index located at the Minnesota Historical Society, Division of Archives and Manuscripts. Some of the names were difficult to read and I attempted to verify spellings by checking listings in the 1900 Federal Census soundex.

Heinrich Brammscher	St. Paul, Minn.
Martin Bussman	Benton, Minn.
Emil Dorn	Lewiston, Minn.
Friedrich Ehlen	Hamburg, Minn.
Johann Endaward	Lakefield, Minn.
(Eudaward?)	
Friedrich Freese	Lakefield, Minn.
Johann Friedrich	Fall Creek, Wisconsin
Wilhelm Friedrich	Waconia, Minn.
Hermann Guetschaff	Gaylord, Minn.
Adolf Haeutzschel	Chicago, Ill.
Paul Hertrich	Howard Lake, Minn.
Herman Hinz	Ripon, N.D.
Karl Kath	Racine, Minn.
Friedrich Kopplin	Sargeant, Minn.
Johann Lange	Hay Creek, Minn.
Robert List	Elysian, Minn.
Otto (Lupner?)	Green Isle, Minn.
Georg Maass	Gaylord, Minn.
Heinrich Menk	St. Paul, Minn.
Heinrich Mensing	Latimer, Ia.
Wilhelm Mergenthal	Hillsboro, Minn.
Friedrich Mueller	Lewiston, Minn.
Heinrich Mueller	Lester Prairie, Minn.
Reinhold Mueller	Alma City, Minn.
Wilhelm Prigge	Lewiston, Minn.
August Quandt	Grand Meadow, Minn.
Friedrich Raedeke	Carver, Minn.
Georg Rischmueller	Arlington, Minn.
Heinrich Ries	Benton, Minn.
Hermann Roeglin	Elysian, Minn.
Johann Rosenwinkel	Milwaukee, Wisc.
Hermann Saeger	Hull, Ia.
Peter Schlemmer	Wood Lake, Minn.
Aug. Schlueter	Fulda, Minn.
Nathanael Schoenbuth	New Salem, N.D.
Heinrich Steffen	Waltham, Minn.
Arnold Toensing	St. Paul, Minn.
Theo. Toensing	St. Paul, Minn.
Reinhold Vandreg/ey	Willow Creek, Minn.
Heinrich Weerts	Wentworth, S.D.
Gustav Wiedanhaft	Good Thunder, Minn.
Otto Wiersig	Waltham, Minn.
Emil Ziegler	Green Isle, Minn.

Name	Permanent address
Martin Abraham	Gaylord, Minn.
Hermann Albrecht	Hillsboro, N.D.
Otto Albrecht	Effington, Minn.
Wilhelm Arndt	Hay Creek, Minn.
Richard Beise	High Forrest, Minn.
Adolf Berndt	Blue Earth City, Minn.
Friedrich Bode	Cortland, Minn.
Heinrich Bode	Cortland, Minn.

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1895 State of Minnesota Census, Ramsey County, Minnesota, (St. Paul, Ward 11) pp. 36-37, Minnesota Historical Society, Microfilm Roll 90.

Research Reports

MINNESOTA CENSUS RECORDS

The population of Minnesota was enumerated in two series of censuses: one by the federal government and another by the state of Minnesota. The federal censuses occurred in the decimal years plus 1857; the Minnesota state censuses were taken in 1865, 1875, 1885, 1895, and 1905. Microfilms of both series of Minnesota censuses, 1850 through 1910, are available for research use. They may be used at Minnesota Historical Society's Research Center, 1500 Mississippi St., or Reference Library, 690 Cedar St., St. Paul, MN.

The following summary notes the categories of information gathered for each census, lists indexes, and describes the special censuses of 1860, 1870, and 1880.

For each census year, the censuses are arranged by county and by community within the county.

MINNESOTA POPULATION CENSUSES

1850 Name; age; sex; color; occupation; value of real estate; birthplace (state or country); married within year; attended school within year; illiterate.

Census and index published in Minnesota Territorial Census, 1850.
(Edited by Mary Nagle and Patricia Harpole, MHS, 1972).

1857 Name; age; sex; color; birthplace; voting status of male (native or naturalized); occupation of each male over the age of 15.

Microfilm index by last name.

1860 Same information categories as 1850 plus value of personal estate; deaf, dumb, blind, insane, pauper, convict.

Microfilm index by last name.

1865 Name; sex; color; deaf, dumb, blind, insane; soldier in service on June 1, 1865.

1870 Same information categories as 1860 plus notes if father and mother of foreign birth; month of birth and marriage if occurred within last year; male citizen of U.S. age 21 and over; male citizen whose right to vote is denied.

Microfilm index by county, within county by last name.

Published index by last name.

1875 Name; age; sex; color; birthplace (state or country); birthplaces of father and mother.

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- 1880 Same information categories as 1870 plus name of street; house number; relation of each person to the head of household; marital status; number of months unemployed in previous year; whether ill or injured on day of enumeration; birthplaces of father and mother (state or country).
- Microfilm Soundex index arranged phonetically by last name, only lists households with children under age of ten.
- 1885 Same information categories as 1875 but instead of parents' birthplaces, notes if father and mother of foreign birth; plus deaf, dumb, blind, insane; soldier in Civil War.
- 1890 The 1890 Population Census was destroyed by fire in the 1920s.
- Veterans' Census information: name of surviving veteran or widow; rank; company; regiment or vessel; date of enlistment; date of discharge; length of service; post office address; disability incurred; and remarks.
- Published index by last name.
- 1895 Same information categories as 1885 plus length of residence in state and enumeration district (years and months) of males; occupation; months regularly employed in previous year; if previously enumerated in census; omits deaf, etc. categories.
- 1900 Same information as 1880 plus month and year of birth; mother of how many children and number of children living; year of immigration to U.S.; number of years in U.S.; naturalization; literacy; English speaking; ownership of home.
- Microfilm Soundex index arranged phonetically by last name, lists all households.
- 1905 Same information categories as 1895 plus street address; birthplaces of father and mother (state or country); length of residence for each person; service in Civil and Spanish wars.
- 1910 Same information as 1900 plus length of marriage; language spoken; type of industry employed in; if employer, employee, or self-employed; number of weeks unemployed in 1909; if unemployed 4/15/1910; if a survivor of the Union or Confederate Army and Navy.
- There is NO index.

MINNESOTA SPECIAL CENSUSES (NONPOPULATION)

(Each is for the 12 months preceding June 1 of census year)

Agricultural Census

- 1860 Name of owner, agent or manager of farm; acres of land; cash value of farm; value of farming implements and machinery; number of live stock; produce during year; value of animals slaughtered.
- 1870 Same as 1860 plus amount of wages paid; estimated value of all farm production.
- 1880 Same as 1870 plus cost of fences; cost of fertilizer; weeks of hired labor; poultry; forest products.

Manufacturing Census

- 1860 Name of corporation, company, or individual; name of business; capital invested; raw materials used; kind of motive power and machinery; average number of employees; wages; annual products and value.
- 1870 Same as 1860 plus number of months in active operation; materials and value.
- 1880 Same as 1870 plus greatest number of persons employed at one time.

Mortality Census

- 1860 Name of person who died in preceding year; age; sex; color; married or widowed; place of birth; month died; occupation; cause of death; number of days ill.
- 1870 Same as 1860 plus if father and mother of foreign birth; omits number of days ill.
- 1880 Same as 1870 plus marital status; birthplaces of father and mother (state or country); length of residence in county; place where taken ill if other county; name of attending physician.

Social Statistics Census

- 1860 Lists by community value of real and personal estate; annual taxes; crops; number and types of schools, libraries, newspapers, periodicals, churches; pauperism; crime; wages.
- 1870 Same as 1860 plus amount of public debt.
- 1880 Provides census information on following categories of individuals: homeless children; prisoners; paupers and indigents; deaf-mutes; blind; insane; idiots.

