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COMPOSITION AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION
OCCUPATIONS, UNEMPLOYMENT
AND AGRICULTURE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS,
Washington, D. C., March 16, 1932.

SIR: I transmit herewith the volume of the Fifteenth Census Reports on Outlying Territories and Possessions, which include Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands of the United States, Guam, American Samoa, and the Panama Canal Zone. The Philippine Islands were not included in the territory covered by the Fifteenth Census. This volume presents statistics showing the number and distribution of inhabitants, composition and characteristics of the population, occupations, unemployment, and agriculture.

The census of the outlying Territories and possessions was taken in conformity with the act providing for the Fifteenth Census and for the apportionment of Representatives in Congress, approved June 18, 1929. Complying with section 1 of this act, the census of the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Panama Canal Zone was taken by the governors of the respective areas, in accordance with plans prescribed or approved by the Director of the Census. The census of each of the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii was taken by a local supervisor appointed upon the recommendation of the governor. An official of the Bureau of the Census was designated by the director to supervise the census of Puerto Rico.

The enumeration of the population of the outlying Territories and possessions, except Alaska, was made as of April 1, 1930, and the census of agriculture related to April 1, 1930, and to the crop of 1929. Because of the unusual climatic conditions existing in Alaska, the date of enumeration for that Territory was fixed as of October 1, 1929, and the agricultural census covered the farming operations for the 12 months ending on that date.

The collection and compilation of the statistics and the preparation of this volume were under the supervision of Starke M. Grogan, chief statistician, in charge of the census of outlying Territories and possessions.

Acknowledgment is made of the services of Capt. Waldo Evans, Governor of the Virgin Islands, Commander Willis W. Bradley, jr., Governor of Guam, Capt. Gatewood S. Lincoln, Governor of American Samoa, and Col. Harry Burgess, Governor of the Panama Canal Zone, who supervised the census of these areas. Acknowledgment is also made of the cooperation of Hon. George A. Parks, Governor of Alaska, Hon. Lawrence M. Judd, Governor of Hawaii, and Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Governor of Puerto Rico. Valuable assistance in taking the census was also rendered by Hon. Raymond C. Brown, Secretary of Hawaii, and officials of the Federal and Territorial Governments in Alaska.

Respectfully,

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Director of the Census.

Hon. R. P. LAMONT,
Secretary of Commerce.

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