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CHAPTER I

THE PROBLEM AND DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED

I. THE PROBLEM

Statement of the problem. It was the purpose of this study to investigate the factors which differentiated those pupils who were accepted by the group from those who were not, in a classroom situation at two sixth grade elementary classes from a Kansas town of approximately twenty thousand. This has been done to provide insight into possible relationships between these specific factors and group acceptance of an individual in a classroom setting.

Importance of the study. Social development has frequently been stressed as one of the more important functions of the educational process. A function of social development should be manifest in the form of group acceptance. If an elementary school teacher were aware of the specific factors that contributed to group acceptance, it might be possible for her to correct some of the deficiencies of the persons rejected by the group. Hurlock stated,

No child is born social, in the sense that he can get along well with others. He must learn to make adjustments to others, and this ability can be acquired only as a result of opportunities to be with all types
5. A pupil's height is not significantly related to his being accepted by the group.

6. Sex is not significantly related to being accepted by the group.

7. Grades are not significantly related to a pupil being accepted by the group.

8. The pupil's median grade level on the Stanford Achievement Test is not significantly related to his being accepted by the group.

9. "Looks" are not significantly related to a pupil being accepted by the group.

10. The child's family size is not significantly related to his being accepted by the group.

II. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED

The following terms are defined to enable the reader better comprehension while reading this study.

Group acceptance (sociometric status). The degree to which a person is willingly received or accepted by the group.

"Looks". The personal appearance of a person, as perceived by others, especially of a pleasing nature.
Social distance. The degree of intimacy with which a person is willing to associate with another person or group.

Halo effect. The tendency, in making an estimate or rating of one characteristic of a person, to be influenced by another characteristic or by one's general impression of that person in a favorable manner.

Identification. The process of a person accepting another person's attitudes and values because that person is admired.

Family size. The total number of brothers and sisters in the pupil's family.

Teacher checked weaknesses. These include those areas of emotional and social habits, work and study habits, and health and safety habits which are areas on the report card that the teacher evaluates.

III. ASSUMPTIONS

It was assumed that the pupils rated each other honestly on the "looks" and social distance scales. Also, it was assumed that both sixth grade teachers graded their respective classes by common criteria. It was further assumed that each teacher used a comparable frame of
reference in determining the weaknesses of each pupil when grades were assigned. Sociometric instruments are based on several assumptions.

One of these is that within any formal organization, such as that existing in a school class, there is an informal organization based on interpersonal attractions and repulsions, and that these informal relationships greatly affect the official functioning of the group, as well as having important personality consequences for each person in the group. Through sociometric testing these informal organizations can be measured and quantitatively described. Another assumption of sociometry is that interpersonal bonds between the members of a group are necessary to good morale and to normal personality growth of the individual.²

It was assumed that the teacher perceived the child in such a manner as would be reflected by the number of checked weaknesses on the pupil's report card and that this was transmitted into the classroom and that the other students were able in some manner to detect this. Another assumption was that the absences indicated on the pupil's report card represented sickness or illness of that child. In addition, one of the underlying assumptions of a coefficient of correlation was that the relationship between two variables under study was linear. The height as given by each pupil was assumed to be accurate. The results on the "looks" scale were assumed to reasonably measure each of the pupil's "looks"

as perceived by the child doing the rating. It was assumed that both the "looks" scale and the social distance scale were valid and reliable.

IV. LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY

This study had several limitations. One limitation was that the findings could not be generalized to all sixth grade populations or to even other sixth grade classrooms in the same city under study. It consisted of intra-group comparisons and did not have any sampling methods applied to the population; therefore, it probably was not representative of sixth grade children as a whole.

Also, any group structure is not static, but is the product of continuous interaction. Groups are continually undergoing change and therefore the sixth grade population of this study was viewed in that context. The study represented the dynamics of the group at the time the data was obtained and it should not be assumed that the same relationships exist at any future point in time.

A further limitation was that no research was found relative to the "looks" scale and therefore it may not be highly reliable or valid.

The limitation of the correlation coefficient must also be acknowledged. This is that even though the two
factors are related one did not necessarily cause the other, but could have done so.

A final limitation was that all data from both classes were consolidated to form one group for the purposes of determining correlations for this study. The fact that two teachers were involved may have resulted in different meanings by each teacher when the grades were assigned and when weaknesses were identified.
CHAPTER II

RELATED RESEARCH

I. REVIEW OF RESEARCH

Man is a social as well as a biological animal. Broom and Zelznick wrote, "the way men behave is largely determined by their relations to each other and by their membership in groups."¹ Much of a child's social learning appears to result from indirect influences. Bandura and Huston stated,

Although part of a child's socialization takes place through direct training, much of a child's behavior repertoire is believed to be acquired through identification with the important adults in his life. This process, variously described in behavior as 'vicarious' learning, observational learning, and role taking appears to be more a result of active imitation by the child of attitudes and patterns of behavior that the parents have never directly attempted to teach than of direct reward and punishment of instrumental responses.²

The classroom teacher would quite probably be one of the significant adults in the child's life. Hurlock wrote,

In the early grades, the influence of the teacher is the most important single factor in the total school influence on the child's personality.


Directly, the teacher affects the way the child feels about himself by the way she corrects his behavior, ignores him or his social behavior, or by the way she interprets his school work. Indirectly, she influences his personality by helping him to adjust to the group and by helping the group adjust to him, thus influencing the degree of social acceptance he achieves.3

The children in a classroom situation act and react to the teacher's actions. If a teacher continually reacted to a child in a favorable manner, would this create a halo effect for the child as interpreted by the rest of the class or would the class think of this child as a "teacher's pet"? The number of weaknesses that a teacher perceives in a child, as indicated by the child's report card, could have an influence upon the child being accepted by the group because it would be probable that the children in a class would perceive the teacher's attitude toward that child in that classroom setting. Flanders and Havumaki have done related research. They used two groups of 330 tenth grade students. In one group the teacher praised them individually while the other half was praised as a group. They found that the persons whom had been given the praise individually received an increase in sociometric choice value indicating greater

3Hurlock, op. cit., p. 563.
acceptance by the peers.  

The groups' acceptance of the child may be determined by a social distance scale. This scale was developed by Cunningham who wrote, "perhaps the greatest contribution of the Classroom Social Distance Scale to us was to indicate the great range of acceptance or rejection afforded to any one individual in the group." Cunningham found little significant correlation between group acceptance and intelligence quotient for fourth and fifth grade levels.

Bonney studied mutual friendship pairs of second and third grade children in Denton, Texas, during the school years of 1939-1940, and 1940-1941. He found,

Correlations between the various degrees of attraction and rejection and intelligence quotients showed that generally the closer the degree of mutuality the higher the coefficients, but that all the correlations were low. Relationships between total mutual friendship scores and intelligence quotients ranged from .02 to .51 with an average from six coefficients of .34. These data show that although the higher degrees of brightness are definitely associated with the ability to win friends, intellectual brightness is far from being any kind of a guarantee of social competence.

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Although Bonney used mutual friendship pairs rather than group acceptance it is significant because it is individuals, pairs of individuals, or groups of individuals that are the components of "the group".

Thorpe obtained somewhat the same results as Bonney. He used Thurstone's Primary Mental Abilities Test and treated the five subtests separately and correlated these with what he called popularity or sociometric status. Thorpe stated, "an estimate of the over-all correlation found in this research between sociometric status and intelligence is .152 with a standard error of .034." His sample consisted of thirty-four high school classes with a total of nine hundred and eighty. The mean age was twelve years eight months, and had a standard deviation of sixteen months.

Hardy found a somewhat higher relationship between intelligence and group acceptance.

Results from measures of mental alertness and school achievement point to the general superiority of the best liked pupils. Not a single pupil among the preferred companion representatives had an I.Q. below 90 while twenty-nine per cent had I.Q.'s of 120 or above.

7J. G. Thorpe, "An Investigation into Some Correlates of Sociometric Status Within School Classes," Sociometry, XVIII (1955), 60.

Another variable that might have some relationship to group acceptance is that of the socio-economic background of the pupil. Several researchers have investigated such a factor.

Cunningham in her study of fourth and fifth grade children found little or no significant correlation between group acceptance and socio-economic status for those levels. ⁹

Hurlock stated,

By the fifth grade, children also take into consideration socio-economic status in the selection of their friends. While children of the lower social classes have more freedom of choice in the selection of their friends than do children of the middle classes whose parents put pressure on them to choose the 'right' type of friends, nevertheless the lower-class child often finds himself barred from participation in social activities of the middle-class. He is thus forced to select his friends mainly from his own social class. ¹⁰

Hardy found little relationship between socio-economic status and popularity. ¹¹

Little research can be found which relates incidence of illness with group acceptance. A somewhat related study was done by French, however, in determining the status of Naval recruits in their company. He found that sick bay

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¹⁰Hurlock, *op. cit.*, p. 298.

attendance was negatively related to status in the company, that is, sick bay attenders were less acceptable as liberty companions. 12

Hardy in her study wrote,

There is a strong indication in the comparative results from the health measures that the pupils who were socially most successful were very likely to have the highest health ratings. The differences are not always large enough to warrant definite conclusions but the trend of the findings is consistent. 13

Size is another factor. Hardy's research indicated,

Size did not appear to be a significant factor in the amount of recognition given to an individual. The trend of the findings was the same whether or not the socio-economic factor was controlled. The most popular cases tended to deviate in both directions from the average and these deviations did not appear to be related to sex. Short boys and tall girls were noted among the best liked representatives, as well as tall boys and short girls. 14

Sex is often a factor thought to influence group acceptance. Hurlock wrote,

While it is true that there are popular boys just as there are popular girls in any age group, there are indications that girls, as a group, enjoy greater popularity than do boys. Among nursery-school children, girls have been found to be more popular than boys. Among older children, girls at every age are generally more highly socialized than boys of that age and, as a result, make better social adjustments. 15

15 Hurlock, op. cit., p. 312.
Other researchers tend to support Hurlock's position.

Bonney, for example, studied sex differences in pupil choices. This researcher stated, "the results on sex differences show a consistent superiority in favor of girls over boys in social success as measured by pupil choices." 16

Hilkevitch gives additional insight into sex differences. In studying twenty-six boys and twenty-nine girls he found that there were sex differences. He concluded that boys tended to choose other boys who complemented their own personality patterns. Girls on the other hand, choose other girls who had similar attributes rather than differences. 17

Grades have been viewed in relation to group acceptance. Hardy wrote,

School marks recorded by the teacher on daily performance showed three times as large a proportion of the best liked were given high marks as of the total pupils. There can be no question, from these results that these best liked children were mentally capable and scholastically efficient. 18

Ryan studied the relationship between social acceptance and school grades for 326 students at a suburban

16 Bonney, op. cit., p. 98.


18 Hardy, op. cit., p. 376.
senior high school. He found that a small and positive relationship existed between grades and acceptance.

Carew supports this same conclusion. He found in his study of the 205 men college students that there was a tendency for high grade point averages to be related to the degree that an individual was accepted by the group.

In regard to "looks", Hurlock wrote,

While younger children are not so "looks-conscious" as they will be when they reach the age of adolescence, they are not unaware of the attitudes of others toward physical attractiveness and unattractiveness. Looks are taken into consideration in the selection of friends and leaders, even though this factor may play a minor role, as compared with the role it plays during the adolescent years.

Hardy wrote,

In light of the emphasis placed by certain psychiatrists upon the influence of physical inferiorities on behavior patterns of the individual, it is interesting to find that two-thirds of the group called socially successful were described as having an attractive appearance while less than one-fifth of the unpopular were so described. Conversely, while five per cent of the best liked were classified as 'homely', the proportion in the other cases was twenty-six per cent of the unpopular, and fourteen per cent of the total group observed. The differences were large and make

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21 Hurlock, op. cit., p. 313.
it evident that in regard to physical beauty the children whom others liked and chose as their best liked playmates were as a group attractive.\textsuperscript{22}

The total size of the family is a factor in which many researchers have tended to look as a possible influence upon group acceptance. Thorpe related sociometric status or popularity to the number of siblings in the family.\textsuperscript{23} He found that the family size was not significantly related to sociometric status for nine hundred and eighty school subjects with a mean age of twelve years and eight months.

Damrin studied one hundred and fifty-six girls in grades nine to twelve.\textsuperscript{24} She related family size to social acceptance for these girls. She found a $-0.220 \pm 0.051$ correlation existing between these two factors.

Bonney, however, found,

The results on family size showed a consistent superiority in social success for the only child. This held true regardless of how the data were analyzed. The only child not only held an advantageous position in mutual friendships but also in unreciprocated friendships. This also held true on the basis of total mutual friendship scores. Furthermore, teacher ratings on twenty personal traits were consistent with pupil choices in giving the only child the most favorable social position.\textsuperscript{25}

\textsuperscript{22}Hardy, \textit{op. cit.}, p. 378. \textsuperscript{23}Thorpe, \textit{op. cit.}, p. 57.


\textsuperscript{25}Bonney, \textit{loc. cit.}
No related research was found that related achievement test scores with group acceptance.

II. RELATION OF THE STUDY TO THE PREVIOUS RESEARCH

The review of related research provided guidelines which gave direction to this study and suggested valuable hypotheses to be explored. However, much of the related research articles were a number of years old and therefore, they did not conform to current situations. This study went beyond previous related research in that it was contemporary. Also, it was determined if these findings agreed with the previously established findings for elementary as well as other age group populations. Finally, achievement test scores were studied in relation to group acceptance since no related research was found in the literature.
acceptance was determined from the social distance scale as used by Cunningham. A numerical score was obtained by giving arbitrary weighting to each of the items. The final score was determined by adding the checked number as rated by each pupil for every other pupil. The higher the total score on this scale for each student the greater was his acceptance by the group. This scale is found in Appendix B, page 34. Reliability and validity studies were not found for this instrument. Appendix C, page 37, contains the "looks" scale. Validity on this instrument was established by using a consensus of judgement in the wording of the scale from five college instructors. In Appendix D, page 40, is found the revised scale for rating occupations as devised by Warner, Meeker and Eells. Each occupational scale was weighted and each "rating assigned to occupation" was multiplied by one for the highest occupation and by seven for the lowest occupation. The lowest score indicated the highest socio-economic occupation for the father. In effect, the pupil's total score was the classification number assigned by Warner to the occupation, squared. Table I, page 23,

1 Cunningham, op. cit., p. 172.

contains a summary of the correlation coefficients between various factors and group acceptance.

IV. PROCEDURE

The data were collected from each pupil's cumulative folder. This information was transcribed onto the Data Form (Appendix A, page 32). The cumulative folder contained all of the information that the Data Form required except the individual's score on the "looks" and social distance scale. The "looks" scale (Appendix C, page 37) was given by the classroom teacher according to the directions which had been provided. Each pupil rated every other pupil, including himself, on the standard IBM 503 sheet for this five point scale according to how the rater thought each pupil looked. The social distance scale (Appendix B, page 34) is also a five point scale and each pupil rated each other in the same manner as they used on the "looks" scale. Each question on the Data Form was given a numerical value of which was derived from the breakdown for the raw score for each question as is shown on the Data Form. After all of the data had been gathered numbers two to eleven on the Data Form were correlated with number one on the same form. The correlations determined which factors were most significantly related to group acceptance.
V. ANALYSIS OF DATA

Pearson's product moment coefficient of correlation was used to determine the relationship between the factors stated in the hypotheses as related to group acceptance. The values to be used in the correlations were found on the Data Form (Appendix A, page 32). A summary table was constructed to show the obtained correlations (Table I, page 23).

The coefficient of correlation represents a ratio which expresses the degree to which changes in one variable are accompanied by changes in a second variable. It also summarizes the magnitude and direction of the relationship between two sets of measurements, such as weight and height based on the same persons, or between the same measurement on pairs of persons. There are two main cautions of the coefficient of correlation. The first is that it cannot be interpreted directly as a percentage. Secondly, correlation does not necessarily mean causation. While correlation does not necessarily mean causation, it provides a basis for clues which may be used for a more formalized hypothesis.3

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CHAPTER IV

RESULTS

The results showed that there were significantly high, positive relationships existing between intelligence, grades, median grade level, "looks", occupation of the father and the criterion, group acceptance. The respective coefficient of correlations between these variables and group acceptance were .47, .61, .56, .70, and -.38. These data are presented in Table I. The scale for occupational rating of the father was devised in such a manner that the higher his numerical rating was, the lower would be his occupational level. Therefore, the -.38 correlation between the father's occupation and group acceptance, although negative, actually indicated a low positive trend. Teacher checked weaknesses, incidence of illness, height, sex, and total number of siblings were not shown to be significantly related to group acceptance. Also, there were no significant sex differences. However, the sex differences occurring in the variables of teacher checked weaknesses, incidence of illness, and median grade level approached significance. With the criterion excluded, the following high, positive relationships were found: intelligence and grades, intelligence and median grade level, grades and median grade level, grades and "looks", median
## TABLE I

**SUMMARY OF CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS BETWEEN VARIOUS FACTORS AND GROUP ACCEPTANCE**

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- **r** .32 Significant at 0.02
- **r** .2732 Significant at 0.05

### VARIABLES*

1. Rating on Social Distance Scale (Group Acceptance)
2. Teacher Checked Weaknesses
3. I.Q.
4. Occupation of Father
5. Total Number of Days of School Missed
6. Height
7. Sex
8. Grades
9. Percentile Rank on Stanford Achievement Test
10. Total Number of Siblings
11. Rating on "Looks" Scale
grade level and "looks", and "looks" and intelligence. Sex -- where male equaled 1 and female equaled 2 -- and grades had a significant positive relationship but the magnitude of the coefficient was not very great. Teacher checked weaknesses had a significant, positive relationship with grades but the magnitude again was not very great.
CHAPTER V

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

I. SUMMARY

Fifty-two sixth grade pupils from a midwest city of approximately twenty thousand comprised the sample in this investigation which was designed to determine the effects of teacher influence, intelligence, occupation of father, incidence of illness, height, sex, grades, median grade level on achievement test, number of brothers and sisters and "looks" upon pupils' acceptance by the group as measured by the Bogardus type social distance scale.

Table I revealed the following:

1. Teacher checked weaknesses had a low, negative relationship with group acceptance, but the coefficient did not reach significance.

2. Intelligence had a significant, positive relationship with group acceptance; the magnitude of the coefficient was moderate.

3. The occupation of the pupil's father had a significant, positive relationship with group acceptance, but the magnitude of the coefficient was moderately low to low.

4. Incidence of illness had a low, negative relationship with group acceptance, but the coefficient did not reach significance.
5. Height had a low, negative relationship with group acceptance, but the coefficient did not reach significance.

6. Sex had a low, positive relationship with group acceptance, but the coefficient did not reach significance.

7. Grades had a significant, positive relationship with group acceptance; the magnitude of the coefficient was comparatively high.

8. Median grade level on the Stanford Achievement Test had a significant, positive relationship with group acceptance; the magnitude was comparatively high.

9. The total number of siblings had a low, negative relationship with group acceptance, but the coefficient did not reach significance.

10. "Looks" had a significant, positive relationship with group acceptance; the magnitude was high.

There were no significant sex differences, but teacher checked weaknesses, incidence of illness and median grade level did approach significance.

II. CONCLUSIONS

It was concluded that the pupil's "looks", as perceived by one's class peers, was a very significant variable in determining the extent to which any particular
pupil was accepted by his group. In addition, grades and achievement appeared to contribute more to group acceptance than did intelligence as measured by the Kuhlmann-Finch Intelligence Test even though intelligence appeared to contribute significantly toward group acceptance. Since "looks" were more highly correlated with grades than with intelligence, it appeared that the "better-looking" made better grades even though they were not necessarily more intelligent. Therefore, it was concluded that the better grades were influenced by the fact of being accepted by the group. Group acceptance appeared to foster academic success.
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DATA FORM

Name ___________________________ Teacher ___________________________

1. ______ Rating on Social Distance Scale

2. ______ Teacher Rating: Total number of X's for Period ______

3. ______ I.Q. Name of Test ___________________________

4. Socio-Economic Status:
   a. Father's Occupation ___________________________
   b. CLASSIFICATION NO. ______ squared = SCORE ______

5. ______ Days of School missed

6. ______ Height (inches)

7. ______ Sex Male = 1 Female = 2

8. Grades Received for Period ___________________________

   No.
   ______ A's received x 5 = ______ A = 5
   ______ B's received x 4 = ______ B = 4
   ______ C's received x 3 = ______ C = 3
   ______ D's received x 2 = ______ D = 2
   ______ F's received x 1 = ______ F = 1

   TOTAL ______

   ______ Average Grade Point = \[
   \frac{\text{Total}}{\text{No. Hours}}
   \]

9. ______ Median Grade level on Stanford Achievement Test

10. ______ Total Rating on "looks" scale

11. ______ Total number of siblings
APPENDIX B
Teacher Directions:

Here is a list of everyone in our class. I want each of you to darken in the number (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5) on the answer sheet for the one that best describes how you feel about that person.

For example, you "would like to have him as one of my best friends." As you see on your example you would darken in number 5.

Take your time and give your honest opinion. When you come to your name go ahead and rate yourself.

No one will know how you rated anyone.

Keep your eyes on your own paper. Are there any questions? If not, you may begin.
EXAMPLE:

1. John Doe

5. Would like to have him as one of my best friends.

4. Would like to have him in my group, but not as a close friend.

3. Would like to be with him once in awhile, but not often or for a long time.

2. Don't mind his being in our room, but I don't want to have anything to do with him.

1. Wished he weren't in our room.

NAMES

1. 14.
2. 15.
3. 16.
4. 17.
5. 18.
6. 19.
7. 20.
8. 21.
9. 22.
10. 23.
11. 24.
12. 25.
APPENDIX C
Teacher Directions:

Here is another sheet somewhat like the first one. Darken in the number that best describes that person. Mark just one for each person.

For example, you think John Doe is Very Good-Looking so you darken in number 5. If you thought John Doe was Very Bad-Looking, you would have darkened in number 1.

Take your time and give your honest opinion. When you come to your name go ahead and rate yourself.

No one will know how you rated anyone.

Keep your eyes on your own paper. Are there any questions? If not, you may begin.
EXAMPLE:

1. John Doe  1.  2.  3.  4.  5.

1 = Very Bad-Looking
2 = Somewhat Bad-Looking
3 = Neither Bad-Looking or Good-Looking
4 = Somewhat Good-Looking
5 = Very Good-Looking

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<tr>
<th>Rating Assigned to Occupation</th>
<th>Professionals</th>
<th>Business Men</th>
<th>Manual Workers</th>
<th>Protective and Service Workers</th>
<th>Farmers</th>
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<tr>
<td>x 1</td>
<td>Lawyers, doctors, dentists, engineers, judges, high-school superintendents, veterinarians, ministers (graduated from divinity school), chemists, etc. with post-graduate training, architects</td>
<td>Businesses valued at $75,000 and over</td>
<td>Certified Public Accountants</td>
<td>Gentlemen farmers</td>
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<td>x 2</td>
<td>High-school teachers, trained nurses, chiropractors, chiropractors, undertakers, ministers (some training), newspaper editors, librarians (graduate)</td>
<td>Businesses valued at $50,000 to $75,000</td>
<td>Assistant managers and office and department managers of large businesses, assistants to executives, etc.</td>
<td>Large farm owners, farm owners</td>
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<td>x 3</td>
<td>Social workers, grade-school teachers, optometrists, librarians (not graduate), undertakers' assistants, ministers (no training)</td>
<td>Businesses valued at $5,000 to $20,000</td>
<td>All minor officials of businesses</td>
<td>Contractors</td>
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<td>x 4</td>
<td>Businesses valued at $2,000 to $5,000</td>
<td>Stenographers, bookkeepers, rural mail clerks, railroad ticket agents, salespeople in dry goods store, etc.</td>
<td>Factory foremen, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, bakers, watchmakers</td>
<td>Dry cleaners, butchers, sheriffs, railroad engineers and conductors</td>
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<td>x 5</td>
<td>Businesses valued at $500 to $2,000</td>
<td>Dime store clerks, hardware salesmen, beauty operators, telephone operators</td>
<td>Carpenters, plumbers, electricians (apprentices), bookkeepers, line men, telephones or telegraph, radio repairmen, medium-skilled workers</td>
<td>Tenant farmers</td>
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<td>x 6</td>
<td>Businesses valued at less than $500</td>
<td>Mounders, semi-skilled workers, assistants to carpenter, etc.</td>
<td>Baggage men, night policemen and watchmen, taxi and truck drivers, gas station attendants, waiters in restaurants</td>
<td>Small tenant farmers</td>
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<td>x 7</td>
<td>Heavy labor, migrant work, odd-job men, women</td>
<td>Janitors, scrub women, newsboys</td>
<td>Migrant farm laborers</td>
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To obtain the socio-economic score, multiply the "rating to assigned occupation" number by the weighted value beside it. In each case this will be the number times itself. For example, if John Doe's father was a lawyer, John's socio-economic score would be one (1 x 1 = 1).