



POPULATION—Official 1940 census was 1,028. Current conservative estimate is 1,450.

LOCATION—An unincorporated town strategically located on U.S. No. 395, U.S. No. 6 and the terminus of State Route No. 190, 214 miles north of Los Angeles. Lone Pine is located in southern Owens Valley near the head of Owens Lake (now dry), midway between the crest of the Sierra Nevada on the west and the Inyo mountains on the east.

ELEVATION AND CLIMATE—Altitude 3,728 feet. Climate is semi-desert, featuring low humidity, warm days and cool nights in the summer. Sunny, but cool days, and snappy cold nights predominate during the short winter season. Average annual rainfall is about 4 inches, with occasional light winter snows. Clearness of the atmosphere, completely free of smog, accentuates the beauty and spectacular grandeur of the mountain peaks rising to elevations of more than 14,000 feet.

ACCOMMODATIONS—A dozen cafes and restaurants provide a liberal variety of prices and atmosphere from which the traveler may choose. Excellent stores and shops make it unnecessary for Lone Pine and adjacent residents to shop in metropolitan areas, and afford attractive shopping facilities for visitors. Hotels, motels, and trailer parks provide a range of overnight accommodations for several hundred guests.

INDUSTRY—Larger industries in the Lone Pine area include Anaconda Copper Mining Company, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Permanente Metals, Wyandotte Chemical Company, Sierra Talc Co., Pacific Coast Borax Co., etc. The Southern Pacific Company offers daily rail service (no passengers) from Los Angeles, terminating at Owenyo 7 miles north of Lone Pine, a transfer point from standard gauge to the narrow gauge operating between Keeler and Bishop. Motor freight services are supplied by Pacific Motor Transport and Western Truck Lines—the latter offering daily through service from Los Angeles to Reno. Pacific Greyhound operates through buses several times daily between Los Angeles, Reno and Portland via Lone Pine. Airport facilities are available less than a mile from town, and a half-million dollar paved airport for heavy transport use is at Manzanar, 10 miles north. More than 500,000 tourists annually visit or pass through Lone Pine.

ATTRACTIONS—In addition to those outstanding points pictured in the center-spread of this folder, are: a variety of horse-back and motor drives, particularly through the Alabama Hills, said to excel Colorado's Garden of the Gods; the Mt. Whitney Trout Hatchery, an easy half hour's drive; Inyo County Museum in the basement of the county court house at Independence; Lone Pine Creek Falls at Whitney Portal where picnicking and public camp facilities are maintained by the U. S. Forest Service, including the trails radiating from there; a Living War Memorial in Lone Pine's Community Plunge; the granite escarpment of the Sierra Nevada at Lone Pine in addition to Mt. Whitney, includes: Mounts Williamson, LeConte, Tyndall, Langley, and Russell, all more than 14,000 feet in height.