

Few Japs Return To Pacific Coast, Survey Reveals

DENVER, March 5.—(AP)—Few of the Japanese leaving war relocation centers are returning to the Pacific coast, H. Rex Lee, chief of the WRA relocation division in Washington, disclosed today after a nationwide survey.

Of 28,541 Japanese who had reported their resettlement, only 1,495 were in California, Oregon and Washington on Feb. 1, the survey showed. Only 1,938 of the 60,397 Japanese remaining in the eight centers had definite plans to return to the Pacific slope.

If the trend continues, WRA officials said, the west coast will have a postwar Japanese population numbered in the low thousands, compared with the 110,000 living there Dec. 7, 1941.

Illinois has attracted 7,900 of the resettlers, more than twice as many as any other state. South Carolina is the only state in which there have been no resettlements.

Most of the Japanese are establishing homes in the vicinity of large cities, with Chicago, Cleveland and Cincinnati especially favored. Rural families, particularly those with own land, constitute the bulk of those planning to renew coast residence. Few city families have shown interest in returning there.

The WRA census showed the present Japanese population of the United States, including those in the armed forces, approximately 133,000.

City to Aid in Safety Patrol for Schools

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existing airport, which, according to reports of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, cannot be improved to meet postwar standards. The city proposes to sell the present airport, which has much value as an industrial site, and the chamber of commerce committee submitted a resolution requesting that all money derived from the sale of the port be set aside as a special fund for the acquisition of new airport facilities.

City Recorder A. J. Geddes submitted a report showing the city's total airport investment to date to be \$44,756.71, which includes \$25,000 in bonds, \$6,856 interest and \$12,903.71 improvements, including hangar, lights, and other installations. The bond issue has been retired.

Mayor W. F. Harris informed the committee the desired appointment would be made.

A chamber of commerce resolution urging appointment of a city planning and zoning commission was read. This work, however, is already progressing satisfactorily in the hands of the city fire commission. It was stated, and the council prefers to continue under the existing program rather than set up a new commission.

Councilman Percy Croft reported on the work being done by the recreational committee, and urged attendance of all council members at the Open House at the Roseburg armory Friday night, February Claims Paid.

The usual departmental reports were read and placed on file and the following bills were audited and ordered paid:

J. M. Bartley, repairs to street sweeper, \$3.10; Calif-Ore. Power Co., water-lights, general, \$772.80; Calif-Ore. Power Co., water-light-power, sewer plant, \$54.32; Denn-Gerretsen Co., supplies street Dept., \$11.00; Douglas Abstract Co., ins. prem. library, \$29.40; Doyle Brothers, repairs to street trucks, \$4.00; Hansen Motor Co., repairs police car, \$2.35; C. O. Martin, repairs to fire hydrant, \$18.08; L. W. Metzger Co., supplies police and street depts., \$3.23; M. & M. Printers, letterheads and blanks, \$25.75; Modern Furniture Store, keys for police dept., 70 cents; Orchard Auto Parts, repairs police car, 40 cents; Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., phone tolls police dept., \$1.06; Roseburg Garbage Disposal, disp'n. of dead dogs, \$2.00; Roseburg Lumber company, sawdust and furnace repairs, \$12.97; Roseburg News-Review, publishing dog notices, \$9.10; Salern Sand & Gravel Co., street repairs, \$6.00; Silver Nook Grill, meals, prisoners, \$17.20; Jack Tol, repairs to police car, \$1.75; Seeley's Service station, servicing police car, \$2.50; Umpqua Valley Hardware, supplies streets, fire depts., \$3.83; Union garage, repairs to police car, \$4.90; Union Oil company, gasoline, \$37.50; Western Union, telegrams, police Dept., \$2.66; Wharton Brothers, supplies fire Dept. and streets, \$1.41.

Marines Poised for Knockout on Iwo Jima

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to be buried under smashed pill-boxes. Still others are behind the Japanese lines, a dwindling area which has been shelled by warships, pounded by marine artill-

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Marines Pause for Prayer



Amid scattered shell cases in front of a demolished concrete bunker, these Marines pause for prayer and communion before heading back into battle for Iwo Jima.

lery and bombed by planes. Forrestal credited the Japanese with putting up a "most thorough and skillful" defense and emphasized that the "Japanese still have an army" of some 70 combat divisions.

90,000 Luzon Japs Slain
Gen. MacArthur reported about 90,000 Japanese have been killed on Luzon island in the Philippines and the remainder of his forces have been cut into disconnected units.

MacArthur's report that the equivalent of six of General Yamashita's original ten divisions on Luzon had been destroyed raised estimated Japanese losses in the Philippines campaign to 225,000 men.

MacArthur said Yamashita's main supply depots were destroyed; the remainder of his forces, he said, were being driven south, harassed by guerrillas and U. S. planes, cut off by air, naval and land forces. MacArthur said "their position is critical." But the Japanese fought stubbornly, using more rockets than ever before encountered in the southwest Pacific, and firing them with uncanny accuracy.

Tokyo reported seven Superfortresses raided the capital and five other areas scattered over 500 miles of Honshu, Japan's main island, during the night. Japanese reports of two over the southeastern tip of Honshu and a fighter-escorted B-29 raid on Amoy, on the China coast, indicated Superforts may again be operating from China bases.

Burma Japs Face Trap
A dashing 85-mile advance by British armored and airborne units engineered the entire Japanese position in Burma today.

The maneuver slashed every communication line between Mandalay and Rangoon. Eight air-dromes were seized intact. Great stores were destroyed or captured and 1,600 Japanese killed.

Chungking announced Chinese columns have virtually surrounded the former U. S. airbase of Suichuan, midway between Hongkong and Hankow in southeastern China. Independent reports said the Japanese were aware of the withdrawal from Kiangsi province and expressed belief Suichuan and two other former U. S. advanced bases in the province might have been retaken.

New Office Building Given Senate's O.K.

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the districts.

The senate labor and industries committee voted 4 to 3 against passage of the bill extending unemployment compensation to employers of one or more persons. The law now covers employers of four or more.

The house labor and industries committee voted 5 to 4 for passage of the three-way bill to allow employers in hazardous industries to be insured against industrial accidents either through the state, insurance companies of self-insurance. Labor opposes the bill.

New Carrier Tax Voted
A new system of taxing motor carriers, based on studies of interim committees appointed by the last three legislatures, had 52-6 house approval today and was on its way to the senate.

The new tax bill is based on a ton-mile theory, and will raise up to \$1,000,000 more a year than is raised by existing taxes. Some truckers will pay more, and some

less, while farm trucks will be exempt.

Other Action Summarized

A resolution for an interim committee to study juvenile delinquency and the possibility of new institutions for underprivileged and delinquent children won house approval and went to the senate.

The house sent to the governor a bill to reduce the waiting period for unemployment compensation from two weeks to one week. There was no opposition to the bill, as it is one of four bills on which employers and labor compromised.

The house adopted a joint memorial asking congress to pass legislation to require the federal budget be balanced, except in times of war. The memorial goes to the senate.

Also sent to the governor by the house was a bill to create a fund for the state industrial accident commission so that men injured for a second time may be fully compensated.

By a 41-16 vote, the house sent to the governor a bill to permit the state board of higher education to grant 10 scholarships a year to foreign students.

The bill originally read "Latin-American" students, but it was amended to permit students of any nation to apply.

Opponents of the bill opposed giving tax money to foreigners.

City Census Bill Signed
Governor Saal signed into law today a bill by Rep. Lieualten, Pendleton, to permit the secretary of state to make population counts of cities under 2000 population, when the cities request it.

The bill would permit such and pay for it.

Wars-worried cities as Hermiston to have its increased population counted between federal censuses, and thus receive larger apportionments of state funds, such as highway and liquor money.

Legislative leaders held little hope today that they could pass a bill by Portland city officials and industrial leaders to enable cities of more than 5000 population to plan postwar projects by issuing revenue bonds or authorizing assessment districts which could issue bonds.

The legislators said the bill should have been submitted before the legislature was 57 days old, and that no time is left for study of it.

Vanport Speeders Face Gasoline Ration Probe

SEATTLE, March 6.—(AP)—Sheriff's deputies booked six persons, all from Vanport, Ore., for investigation of gasoline ration books after chasing their car 12 miles through busy Seattle yesterday at speeds up to 80 miles an hour.

Officers said those booked were John H. Townsend, 21; Morris Thomas, 22; Moses Henry Smith, 24; Mrs. Francis Quiney, 20; Mrs. Clovis Griffin, 22; Mrs. Dorothy Moore, 25.

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War Criminal's Escape Creates Crisis in Italy

ROME, March 6.—(AP)—Tension gripped Rome today as a political crisis loomed, the outbreak of the escape of Gen. Marion Roatta during his trial on war crimes charges.

Demands for the reorganization of the government may topple the cabinet of Premier Bonomi and clear the way for the premiership for Count Sforza. Vetoed by the British as foreign minister in the present government several weeks ago, Sforza was expected to make a strong bid in the event Bonomi's government fell.

Columns of Carabinieri patrolled the streets, guarded government buildings and the royal palace. Work was suspended in all but most essential industries for a mass protest meeting. The demonstration was sponsored by socialists, communists and opposition groups.

In an urgent measure evidently designed to combat the political crisis, the government announced the dismissal from his post of Gen. Orlando, Carabinieri chief and formerly an army general on Roatta's staff. Like Roatta, Orlando is wanted in Yugoslavia to stand trial on charges of war crimes, and the communist party has demanded his ouster.

Cologne Toppling Under Assault of Americans

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struck and Berlin was bombed for the 14th consecutive night. Southern England was under enemy air attack during the night in renewed German blows which probably are for purposes of home front propaganda.

The Germans have destroyed three bridges at Duisburg before the Ninth army offensive, and thus have blown all serviceable bridges over the Rhine between Bonn and the Dutch border, with the exception of road and rail spans at Wesel and a make-shift crossing at Rheinberg. This destruction imperiled more than 50,000 Germans still on the west bank.

Refugees Stream From City
Men and women of all ages,

their faces showing neither hate nor fear but reflecting the despair of all homeless fugitives, streamed toward the American lines from Cologne by the hundreds.

Some were carrying babies or leading children by the hand. Their household valuables were piled in carts or perambulators, and included blankets to protect them against the March cold.

The task of cleaning out Cologne—a city about the size of St. Louis—is a big one, for every basement must be searched for hidden German soldiers.

Anti-Discrimination Bill Passes in New York

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color, or national origin."

Small Firms Exempt
Although the new law is directed equally against labor unions, employment agencies, and employers, and makes violation a misdemeanor, punishable by a \$500 fine or a year imprisonment, or both, most debate concerned its application to employers. Individuals or firms employing fewer than six persons are exempt, as are religious, charitable, social and fraternal organizations.

The law will be enforced by a five-member commission, which will be empowered to order hearings upon complaint of any person considering himself discriminated against. If mediation fails, a "cease and desist" order may be issued. This may be followed by judicial review upon filing of misdemeanor charges.

Husband, Wife Die in Shooting at Scottsburg

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four sons.

Deputy Sheriff Harry McCabe, who with Dick Miles, state policeman, was called to join the coroner in making the investigation, reported from Reedsport that Mrs. Martin had been in ill health for several weeks, and had gone to her daughter's home.

Bedroom Tragedy
Mr. Martin arrived in Reedsport Monday afternoon and was given a ride from Reedsport to Scottsburg by Reedsport parties, who reported that he was in a jovial mood, but said he was "very homesick at home," and wanted his wife to return to Ma-

pleton with him.

The couple retired about 10 p.

m, at the Kaylor home, McCabe reported, and members of the household heard two shots at about 11 p. m. Upon investigation they found Mr. and Mrs. Martin dead in their bedroom. It was evident from the position of the bodies, Officer McCabe reported, that Martin had shot his wife with a shot through the head.

Mr. and Mrs. Kaylor and their daughter, Mrs. Waynella Hurst, reported immediately to Deputy Sheriff Paul Applegate at Scottsburg, who, in turn, called Reedsport officers and the coroner.

The bodies were removed to the Unger Funeral Home in Reedsport.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin have two sons, Emerald L. and Diamond Martin, in military service at Camp Roberts, Calif.

Copco Customers Now Get Reduced Rates

MEDFORD, March 6.—By the close of business Wednesday, every customer served by The California Oregon Power company had received the first benefits of new, lower electric rates put into effect February 1, A. S. Cummins, president of the company announced.

The company's billing routine requires a full month to cover all customers, and the last of the February bills at the new reduced rate was mailed Wednesday night, Cummins stated.

Three factors—reduction in interest charges, increased use of electric service, and careful wartime operation—were all given equal credit for the \$325,000-a-year reduction in rates.

Judge Raps Employers Who Discharge Jurymen

PORTLAND, March 6.—(AP)—Patriotism of employers who discharge workers summoned for jury service was challenged here by Circuit Judge Walter L. Tooez. Judge Tooez said two employers who served in February sessions lost their jobs. The court criticized failure of employers to ask that the men be excused from jury duty.

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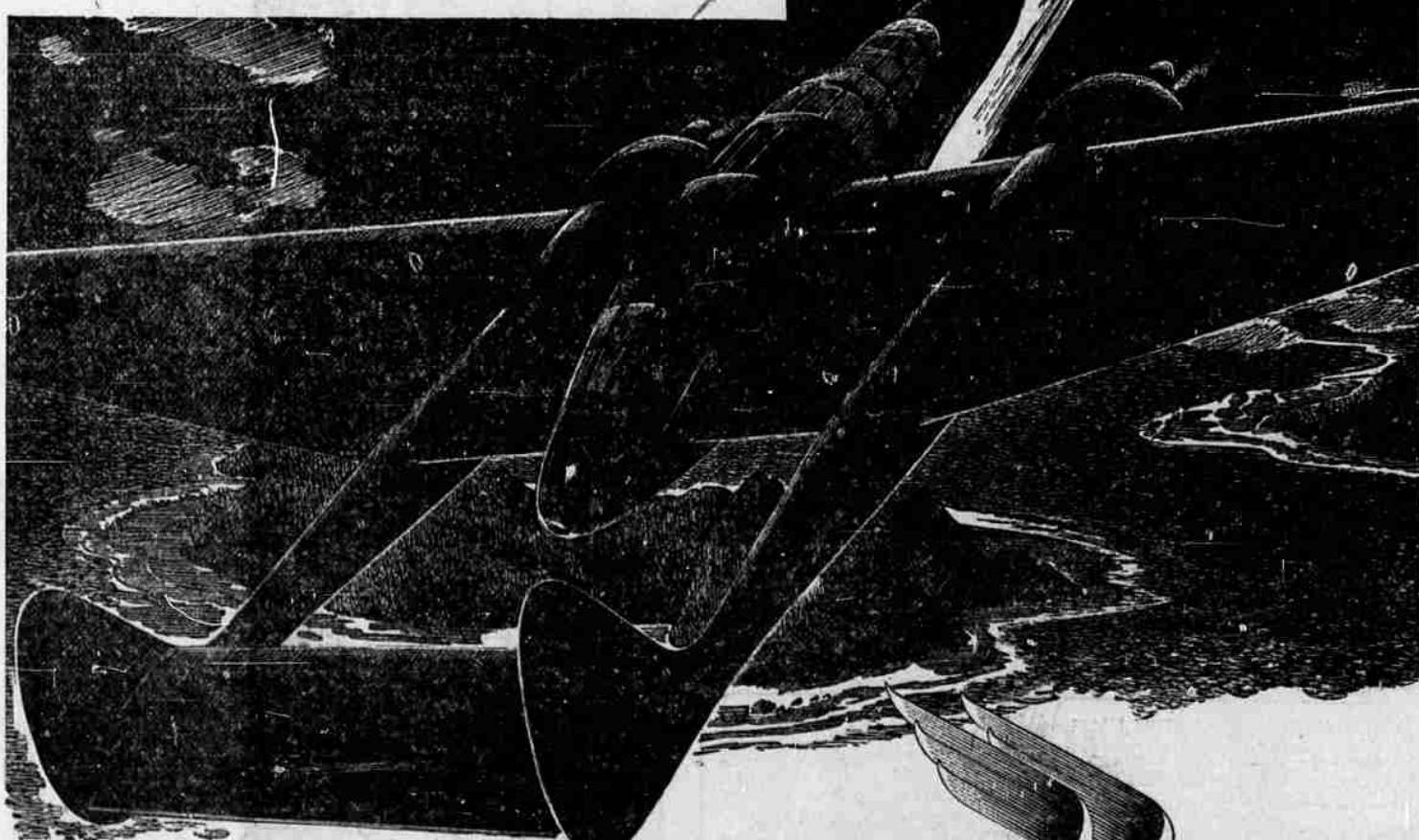
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