

Over-Population Of Japan Offers Threat to Peace

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AP Newsfeatures
TOKYO—The cry of over-population is rising again from these crowded islands, a serious, articulate and accurate cry on an issue as important to the rest of the world as to Japan.

There are 73,000,000 people huddled together on Japan's four main islands in an area smaller than the state of Montana. They are jammed together at 47 to the square mile as compared with little more than 44 per square mile in the United States.

Never in Japan's modern history has the country's area been able to support the population, which has more than doubled in 60 years.

Since the occupation, some 535,000 additional acres have been put into production through land reclamation programs which if carried out faithfully will give the country another 1,000,000 acres by 1950.

But by that time—if the population rise continues, if the birth rate is maintained, if infant mortality decreases further as a result of Allied health teachings—there will be 80,000,000 people in these islands.

Leaders Stress Issue
Japan's population is certain to be an issue among the peacemakers, most of whom will remember that Hitler, Mussolini and the Nipponese themselves cried "over-population" as one excuse for expansion and aggression.

It is becoming a more pronounced issue with Japanese leaders themselves, who are suggesting tentative remedies.

Prime Minister Tetsu Katayama told the Associated Press that he "hopes" the Allies will "consider" our overcrowded conditions" when over the peace treaty.

Foreign Minister Hiroshi Ashida classified the Japanese emigration problem as "a problem for negotiation" after the treaty is signed, evidence that he at least looks to emigration as one way to solve the over-population.

State Minister Mitsuaki Yonokubo asserted recently, "I think it may be an idea to petition the Allied powers to allow return of our nationals to foreign countries . . ."

There is no doubt that Japan is over-populated but there is no doubt either that the Japanese could relieve the pressure somewhat themselves.

Partial Solution Seen
One way would be to settle another million people on Hokkaido, Nippon's frontier island to the north. Allied headquarters experts say that this island, containing almost one-fourth of the acreage in Japan and only about 1,244th of her population, is "agriculturally underpopulated."

Most Japanese, however, shudder at the "cold difficult living" when asked why this partial solution of sending more people to Hokkaido is not more successful. Japanese always are choosy about the locations to which they wish to emigrate. They have and would again leap at moving to Hawaii, California or Brazil but they show little inclination to do any pioneering.

When the Japanese overran Manchuria and held it up to the homefolks as "living space," only a few hundred thousand—and those mostly businessmen or government officials—headed that way.

Want Sunny Climes
Repatriation figures further bear out the Japanese reluctance to leave their homeland for other than sunny climes and good living conditions. Of 5,500,000 repatriates returned to Japan since the end of the war, only 2,890,000 were civilians.

Birth control movements have had little success in Japan, largely because militarists sought more men for the armies and industrialists a brimming labor pool.

In an outline of Japan's natural resources by Allied headquarters one suggestion mentioned in connection with Nippon's future economy is "reducing the rate of population growth."

The natural resources section of headquarters which prepared the outline lists as other possibilities for bettering the lot of Japa-



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Fashions for Fall Hold Hazards, Bids For Horse Laughs

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK—(AP)—A glance at Fifth Avenue style windows today discloses that women this fall will look pretty much like a horse collar trying to fight its way out of a horseblanket.

Well, let them.

All that gentlemen of good will can do when passing them by is to give a friendly neigh and walk on.

Certainly there will be no reason to glance back. That is, except to vent a long low horse laugh.

Speaking merely as a mere male, I think women at last have gone too far. The wisecracks among them have insisted prettily that they never dressed to please men but only to impress each other. This year they are really going to live up to that boast, and as a slogan for their new "wagonwheel hip" outline I suggest:

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There have been some signs of revolt among the ladies against the new fashions, but—by and large—they'll buy them and look large.

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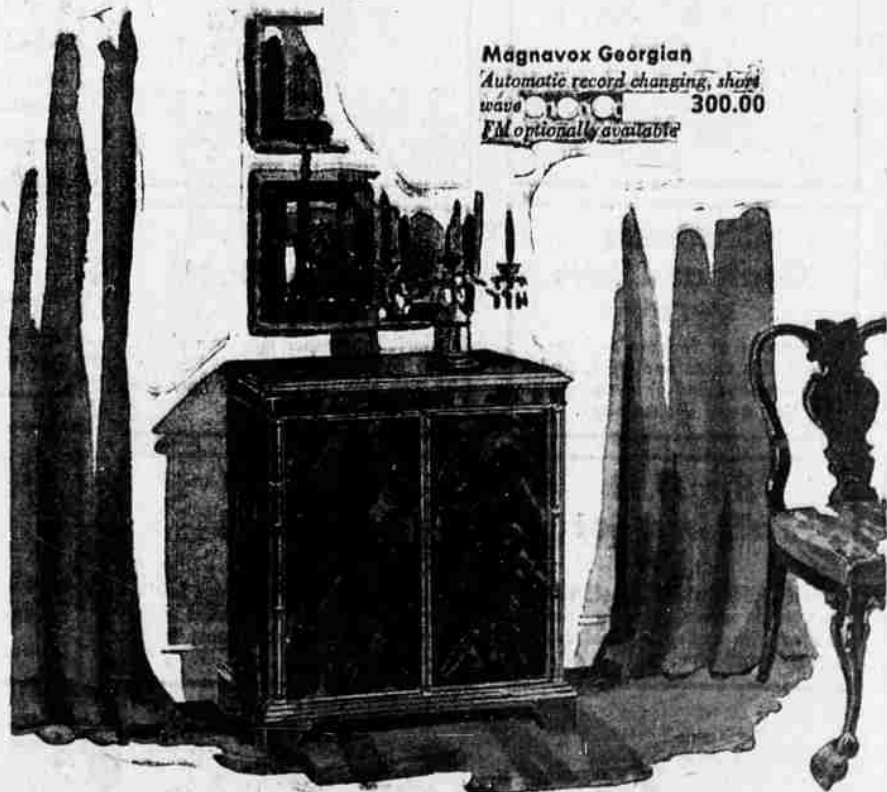
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