

4600 JAPS FOUND BY STATE SURVEY

10,500 Acres Controlled by Islanders, Says Report.

HOLDINGS ARE \$860,000

Statement to Government May Be Submitted to Next Legislature

With Some Recommendations.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special).—The Japanese population of Oregon totals about 4600, the acreage controlled by these orientals aggregates about 10,500, and their investment in various lines of business is estimated at \$860,000, according to a statement attached to a report filed with Governor Olcott today by Frank Davey, who was appointed by the governor to make an investigation of the Japanese situation in this state in connection with the congressional probe now being conducted from Washington. The report also may be used by the governor at the next session of the legislature, when, it is predicted, he will make some recommendations regarding the safeguarding of American interests.

The population statistics show a total of 2631 men, 852 women, 487 boys under 16 years of age and 234 girls under 16 years of age. Farms controlled by the Japanese total 230, of which 2185 acres are owned by the orientals, while 7311 acres are under lease. Total gross receipts of the Japanese in Oregon during the year 1919 were estimated at \$390,000.

Classop Has 450. "I am attaching to this report some documents I have found in circulation that will prove interesting, namely 'Japan's Peaceful Penetration' and 'A Japanese Province,' leaflets compiled from the Sacramento Bee and written by its reporter, J. S. McClatchy, in June and July, 1919, showing the menace of the Japanese to the United States; also 'Disapproving Anti-Japanese Agitation,' by William D. Wheelwright of Portland, which was published in the Oregon Voter last February," says Mr. Davey in his report.

Another document attached gives the total Japanese population of Oregon and is compiled and verified by the Japanese Association of Oregon and endorsed by the Japanese consul.

In Clatsop county there are about 450 Japanese altogether. These are engaged mostly as laborers. They are employed at the Hammond Lumber company's mill; about the same number at the Westport mill and the large remainder at the canneries in Astoria and Clifton. There are about 40 Japanese women and the same number of children. There are no Japanese in the farming, fruit or berry industries.

Aside from the laborers, there are other Japanese in Astoria operating soft drink places, cheap eating houses and lodgings. The Japanese are unobtrusive and little noticed in Astoria. The laborers in the sawmills live to some extent in boarding houses kept by their countrymen, some, however, being married and maintaining homes. During the past 18 months several picture brides have been brought to Astoria. They have been secured through Seattle. A system of communication is maintained from Seattle, at which point they are received by wireless announcing the time of arrival of the ships bearing the picture brides, and the friends who are expecting some of these prize packages return to Seattle, get mail parcels and proceed to Oregon.

Every Move Known. In Portland, I visited Tanezo Sugimura, his imperial Japanese majesty's consul, who is a very courteous and friendly man. Upon learning my mission showed not the least hesitation in furnishing me all the information desired. He has been in intimate contact with all the Japanese residents of the state, with their several lines of industry, their general condition and all things relating to them. It soon becomes apparent to one in conversation with Consul Sugimura that Japan knows all the time what is going on in Oregon, and there is no secret that is not probably the real basis of opposition to those people among American citizens, that their thoughts, their ambitions, their interests, their efforts are and will continue to be for the benefit of their own people, but that it is an agency, an opportunity for the promotion of Japanese aspirations. This may be a mistaken thought in the American mind, but I find it everywhere and by referring to it here, it will be hereafter understood without further repeating.

Mr. Sugimura gives the Japanese population of Portland at about 1800, comprising merchants, lodging houses, hotels and eating houses, tailors, shoemakers, dyers, cleaners, factory hands and farm hands. In the county, he said the Japanese population comprises 1001 men, 486 women and 501 children. He says no more picture brides can be brought in. No passports for them have been issued since March and all passports must be used within six months from date of issue or they are null and void.

No Banks Operated. He says that there are no new working Japanese coming into Oregon, consequently the only increase now is by birth of children and that is often by those leaving the country. There being no commerce between Japan and Oregon there is no immigration direct to Portland.

The Japanese have no commercial corporations in Portland and their financial transactions are conducted with and through the banks of Portland. They have one large benevolent society in Portland, through which its relief work, care of the sick and other philanthropic works are carried on, and through which statistical information is gathered and intercourse is maintained.

The consul says that Japan does not encourage the migration of its citizens to this country and is anxious to hasten their return to their native land. They obey strictly the regulations agreed upon with the United States.

Gresham Interests Large. I spent some time at Gresham, which is the local commercial center of a section of the county, in the eastern part of Multnomah county, in which the soil is adapted to berry culture and truck gardening, and in which the Japanese have already secured a strong foothold. It is from reliable authority that 90 per cent of the acreage of raspberries, 90 per cent of the strawberries, 30 to 40 per cent of the loganberries and 40 per cent of the vegetable gardenage, including such potatoes, are handled by Japanese, and that a number of them are now branching out into distilling. Some 30 per cent of the vegetable gardening and early potato growing is done by Italians, who are considered by many to be preferable to the Japanese in a material way, thus leaving it in good condition, while the Jap crops the ground intensively and robs it of its fertility by the time his lease expires.

In the section of Multnomah county lying east of the Portland city limits there are said to be nearly 200 Japanese, a good many having families, the crop of children being numerous and healthy. There is an association among them known as the Gresham-Portland Farmers' association and there is a similar Japanese association at Russellville. Through these agencies they buy and sell collectively. Their secretary handles the business, finds buyers for the products, also purchases boxes, packing cases and other supplies for them.

The Japanese question is more acute in Hood River than in any other place in Oregon. There is a society here known as the Anti-Asiatic association with prominent citizens of town and surrounding country as officers.

Statistics obtained from the Anti-Asiatic association show an estimated Japanese population of 800 in the valley; show that 1500 acres are owned and 500 acres are under lease by them, there being some 60 owners listed. The taxable improvements listed amount to only \$2800, showing that there is no home building such as is found on American holdings. They say the prof-

its made by these people all go to Japan. They point to the birth rate of the past few years to illustrate the results to be expected in the near future. While the married Japanese population was about 18 per cent of the total for Hood River county, the birth rate was from 19 to 20 per cent. Following is the birth record for the past four years:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Whites, Japanese. Rows for 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919.

In 1918 there were several deaths from the influenza, which was pretty bad among the Japanese and accounts for the low record of that year.

Whites Hurt at The Dalles. The Japanese question has not assumed serious proportions in Wasco county, as there are few of them engaged in any of the lines of industry that cause irritation.

In the vicinity of The Dalles, tomatoes form the principal item of garden product and the Japanese seem to be making an effort this year to drive the white producers out of business. They have been furnishing tomatoes to local merchants so that the merchants can sell them at 25¢ a box, while the Portland commission houses have been paying \$1.75 to \$2.00 a box for them. A banker of The Dalles gave me this information and thought the aim of the orientals in that procedure must be to eliminate white competition in growing the tomatoes.

Baker county has nearly 200 Japanese within its borders, but they have attracted no unfavorable attention, because the majority of them are engaged only in laboring work that has long since been ignored by most white people. They are to be found principally on the railroad sections.

The Japanese are becoming a noticeable factor in the business life of Portland, being interested in various lines, from card rooms to some of the more legitimate, main business enterprises. From reliable sources it is learned that 90 per cent of the smaller hotels and lodging houses are now in their hands and they are gradually extending their operation in various branches of trade. One man advanced the proposition to me that he had entered the hotel and lodging house business in order to give them an opportunity for bootlegging, which he felt that they are now doing, but I received no authentic information to bear out that charge.

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WOMAN AVERS PRESENT MATE NOT MASCULINE ENOUGH.

Frank H. McCune would insist upon doing the housework, V. S. Kitcher replies and would discuss with women callers "the momentous questions of better ways of preparing salad dressing or making biscuit" and other problems of culinary art and housekeeping, much to the shame and humiliation of his wife, asserts Mrs. Nellie McCune, who married him in 1897 and now seeks a divorce in the circuit court.

Coupled with allegations of non-support, Mrs. McCune's chief objection to continued married life with her husband is her allegation that his conduct in such as to stamp him as weak and effeminate, rather than strong and masculine, as she says she would prefer the head of the household. At a recent outing at Gresham, she asserts, she and her husband were taken to the ground and the rigors of camping, she asserts, and spent most of his time picking berries.

Mrs. McCune has paid household expenses from her income as Christian Science practitioner and estimates that she has contributed at least \$1500 which should be returned to her by decree of the court.

A "corporal in the United States army" and a "sailor in the navy" appeared as co-respondents in the divorce action of Howard against Thelma Cecil Cook, whom he married in 1916. The husband declares that his wife would permit young men to call on her in the evening, as long as they left before his return from work, and shortly before midnight. He asserts that she told an acquaintance that "when she went to the west side of Portland she nearly always succeeded in picking up some sort of man to buy her meals for her."

Other divorce suits filed yesterday were Josephine against Henry Horace Le Brun, Minnie against John Russell Suck, and against Harvey Raines and Jessie Ruth against Frank E. Stevens.

Candidates to be heard R. N. Stanfield and C. N. McArthur to speak at Central Library.

Robert N. Stanfield, candidate for United States senator, and C. N. McArthur, representative in congress and candidate for re-election, will address an open meeting of the Multnomah county republican central committee at the Central library assembly hall Tuesday evening on the campaign issues. Mr. Stanfield yesterday notified the committee he would arrange his itinerary plans in order to be here for the meeting.

Permanent organization of the Eastern Multnomah County Republican club will be perfected at a meeting to be held at Gresham Monday night. Permanent officers will be elected. It is planned to elect a vice-president from each city and town in the eastern part of the county and to have these vice-presidents preside as chairmen of all campaign meetings in their districts.

Military Drill Dropped All Pendleton High School Students to Take Training.

Pendleton, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special).—Pendleton schools may lose teachers because of the shortage of teachers, Superintendent H. W. Inlow indicated today. A man with a family who has virtually promised to take the principalship of one of the schools says that he cannot come unless a house is obtained for him. This problem is a difficult one, Mr. Inlow says. Requests for rooms and board for women teachers have brought in few offers. Teachers who would like to keep home are confronted with a shortage of apartments.

Lewis County Grange Picnic. CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 20.—(Special).—Several hundred members of the Lewis county Pomona grange and their families yesterday held a picnic at Forest. An address by William Bouck, master of the state grange, was a feature of the day's programme.



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This map shows the old, the new, and the provisional boundary lines; also railroads, canals, cities and towns. It has a timely interest and value and is even worth preserving because of the fierce struggle that is taking place over the territory shown between the forces of Soviet Russia and Poland. With the aid of this Map one can follow more intelligently the shifting battle-front which, as present writing, menaces Warsaw.

Striking news-articles in this fine number of THE DIGEST are:

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Branch Near Hillsboro to Be Taken, Probably for Federal Plant.

HILLSBORO, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special).—Purchase by the government of 332 acres near Hillsboro for \$37,000 cash as a site for a huge radio station is indicated in negotiations which have been pending for some time with the owners of the Fred Reed farm.

Negotiations have been carried on by the Title & Trust company of Portland and an abstract is now in course of preparation. Agents who have been considering the site have declared that the towers for the station would have to be 650 feet and that a clear radius of 1300 feet would be needed for the guy cables.

It was also pointed out that the station would have to be far enough away from Portland to be clear from local electrical disturbances and yet convenient to a power line.

Prince Leaves Australia. MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug. 19.—The prince of Wales sailed aboard the cruiser Renown today for Samoa, en route to England by way of the Panama canal.

Centralia Hears Roosevelt Today. CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 20.—(Special).—All arrangements have been completed for an address here tomorrow afternoon by Franklin D. Roosevelt, democratic vice-presidential candidate. The inaugural special will arrive here at 2:55 P. M. and will remain 40 minutes. Mr. Roosevelt will speak in the city park. Mrs. Albert Smith will preside as chairman and music will be furnished by the state training school band. John Galvin of this city and A. E. Judd of Chehalis are with Mr. Roosevelt on his trip through the state.

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