

Los Angeles Mexican Youth Poses As Japanese-American

MANZANAR, Cal.—(U.P.)—The strange case of Los Angeles youth of Mexican parentage who passed himself off as a Japanese-American for two years was revealed here with the announcement he would be released from the Manzanar Japanese relocation center for induction into the army.

The youth is Ralph Lazo, 19, the son of a navy veteran of World War I.

Lazo, who registered as an

American-born Japanese in May, 1942, and was sent to Manzanar, has been out of the center only twice. In December, 1943, he returned to Los Angeles to appear before his draft board and early this month he represented the Manzanar YMCA at a Hi-Y conference in Estes Park, Colo.

He gave his reason for registering as of Japanese parentage:

"My Japanese-American friends at high school were ordered to evacuate the west coast, so I decided to go along with them. Who can say I haven't got Japanese blood in me? Who knows what kinds of blood run in his veins?"

"I registered as being of Japanese ancestry and came along with the first group to be sent to Manzanar."

"I cast my lot with the Japanese-Americans because I did not believe that my friends of Japanese ancestry were disloyal to the United States."

Lazo was born in a Los Angeles hospital in 1925, where both of his parents registered as Mexican-Americans. He said he hoped to be sent to the Japanese-American intelligence school of the army at Camp Savage, Minn., where he could take advance studies in reading and writing Japanese, which he started at Manzanar.

Ten Boy Scouts In Order Of Arrow

CAMP LUCKY BOY—Chosen by their fellow campers as best exemplifying the scout oath and law, 10 Boy Scout at this summer camp of the Oregon Trail council were inducted into the Order of the Arrow, national brotherhood of Boy Scout honor campers, last Saturday.

The Order of the Arrow is unique in its method of selecting new members, James Vitus, lodge chief, explained. Instead of being chosen by the camp staff or by the members of the local lodge, scouts who are not members select their fellow campers who best exemplify the scout oath and law, Vitus said. The only requirements for a scout to be eligible are that he be a first-class scout and either a second-year camper or 14 years of age.

New members are Jerry Brown of troop 4, Roseburg; Kermit Chapman of troop 88, Glenwood; Bob Haynes of troop 54, Eugene; Jim Ryan of troop 7, Wendling; Darrel Spores of troop 100, Mohawk; Loyal Swafford of troop 77, Wendling; Delos Young of troop 1, Corvallis; Dean McCorkle of troop 6, Eugene; Rex Stinchcomb of troop 52, Bethel; and Glenn N. McCullough, scoutmaster of troop 88, Glenwood.

Other members of the local Order of the Arrow lodge who participated in the ordeal ceremonial in addition to Vitus were David Smith, Albert Powers, Walter Banks, Edgar DeCout, Lenpy Falk, Forest Rogers, Don Gerretsen, Robert Hammond, Gordon Burtner, Kenneth A. Wells, Ralph E. Kalaher, Judson W. Compton, and Harold Jensen.

Two Eugene Cafes Entered By Burglars

Two eating places on Oak street were entered by burglars sometime between 9 p.m. Saturday and 6:30 a.m. Monday, according to city police.

Between \$85 and \$100 were taken from the Blue Bell sandwich shop, 958 Oak. The money was in a wooden safe on the wall in the kitchen and in a box in the dining room. Entrance was made through the air grill in the roof into the attic. A hole was then knocked in the ceiling.

About \$10 in cigarette money for servicemen was taken from the Ted Harris eating place, 958 Oak, after entrance was made through a trapdoor in the ceiling of the back room. A hunting knife and some cigarettes were also taken. A full check has not been made, according to police.

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Parking Mistakes Accident Source

Parking maneuvers, rear-end collisions many of which involved cars stopped to park, and failure to yield right of way at intersections, were the chief factors leading to traffic accidents along Willamette street during the first six months of this year, Police Chief Carl F. Bergman said today.

An analysis of the accidents on Eugene's busiest street, made by the safety division of the secretary of state's office, showed a total of 94 traffic accidents on Willamette street between Twenty-second and First avenues during the first six months of 1944.

Of the total, 28 per cent involved cars leaving or backing into parking positions along the curb, Chief Bergman said. Seventeen per cent involved rear-end collisions, about a third of which occurred when cars stopped to park and were struck by a following car.

Sixteen per cent of the collisions along Willamette street involved cars whose drivers failed to yield the right of way. Thirteen per cent involved cars making left-hand turns.

The analysis indicated that the practice of making left or right turns from the wrong lane is a hazard along Willamette street, Chief Bergman said. He urged drivers to get in the right-hand lane for a right turn and the left-hand lane for left turns.

Forty-four per cent of the accidents occurred during the period from 2 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Forty-two per cent occurred on Fridays and Saturdays with Fridays seeing the greatest number of accidents, 21, while Saturdays were second with 19.

"If Eugene drivers will exercise greater care leaving and entering parking positions, giving proper signals and looking for approaching cars, we could avoid approximately a fourth of the accidents in our business area," Chief Bergman said. "Observance of the right of way law at intersections and attention to the matter of making turns from proper lanes will prevent another large share of our traffic crashes."

Tank Smashes—

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war appeared to be "only a matter of days away."

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Aug. 7.—(AP)—Supported by a close allied naval blockade which already had broken up three German convoys apparently attempting a "little Dunkirk" from Brittany, American armor and infantry teams captured four more towns in the Breton peninsula in the closing stages of an offensive which promised to clinch control soon of the ports of Brest, St. Nazaire, Nantes, Lorient and St. Malo.

St. Malo, an ancient sea fortress and fishing port on Brittany's north coast, was under attack by strong forces, which broke through the outer perimeter of landward defenses at Chateaufort. In spite of the order of the commander to fight until the last man, 500 of a garrison estimated at 2,000 to 3,000 men, surrendered.

The Americans were last reported two miles from the center of St. Malo, which is connected with the mainland by a causeway. Offer To Surrender.

The garrison at Lorient on the south coast already had offered to surrender, not awaiting the arrival of the Americans who took the famous city of Auray, 18 miles west of Vannes and 18 miles east of Lorient.

At Brest, the French naval base at Brittany's tip, Americans were last reported in the outlying streets.

Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's armor also has been reported in the outlying streets of St. Nazaire, the big shipbuilding center, and U-boat base at the mouth of the Loire, and driving the last 15 miles toward Nantes, city of 195,000 a few miles up the river.

Shoving 31 miles northwest of Dinan, the Americans also captured St. Brieuc on Brittany's north coast, field dispatches reported.

Eastward Push
The four-headed American eastward push spread over a front of 50 miles extended from Domfront, 25 miles east of Avranches, straight down the Varenne and Mayenne river valleys through Mayenne, Laval, Houssey and Chateau-Gontier.

Limited Truck Supply For Civilians Listed

WASHINGTON — (U.P.)—The war production board said here it has scheduled production of 56,705 trucks in the first quarter of 1945 for essential civilian use. The program compares with slated output of only 93,962 units during all of this year.

A total of 41,068 is scheduled the last three months of 1944, WPB said. Production planned for the first quarter of next year calls for 40,000 medium trucks, 13,366 light heavy trucks and 3,339 heavy trucks.

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Lily Bulb Growers To Hear Fertilizer Talk

At a meeting of the Southern Lane Lily Bulb Growers' association at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wulf, half a mile west of Cottage Grove, Monday evening at 8 o'clock, Arthur King, extension soil specialist at the state college, will be present and discuss with the bulb growers the subject of fertilizers and a fertilizer program for easter lilies. W. A. Hemenway, president of the association, announces that all persons interested are invited to attend the meeting.

The meeting was arranged through the office of O. S. Fletcher, county agent, who plans to attend. Easter lily bulb raising is a rapidly-growing new industry around Cottage Grove, at the present time eight growers in that section being engaged in that occupation.

Germans Hurl—

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sians clamping Praga, its east bank suburb, in a tight siege arc anchored on the Vistula river north and south of the suburb.

The soviet advance along the north bank of the Vistula toward Krakow in southern Poland also was slowed by stiffening enemy resistance some 35 miles from Krakow and 80 miles from the borders of Germany proper, but a Russian break-through along the southern bank in the San river triangle posed a pincers threat against the stronghold.

The 4th Ukrainian army, 10th soviet army to join the Russian summer offensive, was driving through the Carpathian foothills toward Czechoslovakia, on a widening front in a new assault after capturing Drohobycz, next to the last major source of oil for the German war machine.

Latest front reports placed Col. Gen. I. Y. Petrov's 4th army only 25 miles from the Czechoslovak frontier and the Wyszow pass through the Carpathians into Hungary.

The 4th army lashed out in a new offensive southeast of Przemysl as the battles for Warsaw and East Prussia to the north were mounting to a new height of fury with the Germans throwing in all available reserves in a desperate effort to stem the avalanche.

Pharmaceuticals are manufactured in Palestine at the rate of about \$2,000,000 worth annually.

Huntington Widow Dies At Yoncalla

YONCALLA — Mrs. Maude Ethel Johnson Huntington, 61, widow of the late Benjamin Huntington, Sr., well-known Oregonian who died July 25, died at her home in Yoncalla Wednesday, Aug. 2, after long illness.

Born at Belle Plaine, Iowa, Oct. 5, 1882, she had been a resident of Yoncalla for 29 years. She was married to Mr. Huntington at Roseburg in June, 1918.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Lucile Huntington Hendershot of Seattle, and the following stepchildren: Benjamin Huntington, Jr., Marshfield; Webster Huntington, Yoncalla; Peret Huntington, Marshfield; Retta H. Turner, Rockaway; McKinley Huntington, Fossil; James Huntington, Yoncalla; Thomas Huntington, Richmond; Mrs. Anna H. Kingery, Yoncalla; Mrs. Sara H. Wertz, Grants Pass; Mrs. Mary H. Nichols, Ft. Johnson, Fla.; Mrs. Ruth H. Impley, Medford, and Mrs. Rachel H. Daniels, Susan City, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Helen Johnson Champagne.

Services will be held at the home in Yoncalla, Friday at 2 p. m. Arrangements are in the care of the Stearns mortuary of Oakland.

NEW PRINCIPAL ARRIVES

Dean H. Mickelwait arrived in Eugene this week-end from Kelso, Washington, to assume his new duties as principal of Eugene high school. He had been principal at Kelso high school for nine years.

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Father Leipzig At Seattle Two Weeks

Rev. Francis P. Leipzig, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, left Monday for Seattle, to be gone two weeks, giving two laymen's retreats at St. Martin's college, Lacey, Wash., for the Seattle diocese. The first retreat opens Wednesday of this week, closing next Sunday. The second retreat for men opens Wednesday, Aug. 16, closing Sunday, Aug. 20.

Father Basil, O. S. B. Mt. Angel abbey, will replace Father Leipzig during his absence here, assisting Rev. Louis H. Sohler, assistant in St. Mary's Catholic parish.

Civilian Pilot Trainees Will Be Discharged

WASHINGTON — (U.P.)—A majority of the enlisted men who were trainees under the army's civilian pilot instruction program will be discharged and returned to civilian life at their own request rather than remain as enlisted army airforce technicians, the war department announced here.

The enlisted men comprised the largest and most controversial group among 11,653 instructors and trainees affected when the country's civilian flight instruction program was cancelled last January.

Brazil is the only South American country that declared war on Germany during World War I.

Irrigation Expert Aids Farmers Here

Assisting the county agent's office and several farmers with irrigation and drainage problems in the Springfield and Wallowa areas, Arthur King, extension soil specialist of the state college, was in the county Monday. In company with Dan Young, assistant county agent, King visited several farms in these districts.

Among the farms visited were those of Lura B. Graham in the Springfield district, where the owner was assisted with a drainage problem, the Leo Stump farm in the vicinity of Springfield, where irrigation was studied, and the farm of Bob Marquardt of Wallowa, to assist him with irrigation.

Officials of the McKenzie Irrigation association were assisted with the problem of the Springfield district in the Springfield and Wallowa areas. King will be here at the county agent's office, O. S. county agent, and the McKenzie Irrigation association.

Mr. and Mrs. King will be in the Springfield district in the morning, will speak at a public meeting to be held at Nazarene, 614 Madison, Cochrans construct national and evangelistic work in Buenos Aires.

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