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Babson Says---

How Japan Undersells The World

Babson Says We Have Underestimated Nipponese Ability

Babson Park Florida, January 31.—High in the list of great achievements of history stands the rise of Japan as a world power. Only eighty-two years ago Admiral Robert Peary sailed into Yokohama harbor, giving Japan her first real contact with the modern world.

For some three centuries this Island Empire had been completely isolated. Her civilization was at least 500 years behind that of the Western World. Yet in a relatively short space of eighty years, Japan has transformed herself into one of the most advanced, progressive, and highly industrialized nation in the world.

CAPTURING WORLD MARKETS
Those who have watched Japan steal one foreign market after another in the last few years realize there must be a fascinating story behind her progress. Perhaps the world depression has brought the picture of Japan's rise into sharper relief. But the facts are that exports from Nippon are today at an all-time peak. The following table tells the story:

Year	Exports	Imports	Val Yen (NY)
1929	2,149,000	2,246,000	46.1c
1930	1,470,000	1,546,000	49.4c
1931	1,147,000	1,236,000	48.9c
1932	1,410,000	1,431,000	28.1c
1933	1,861,000	1,917,000	25.2c
1934	2,172,000	2,280,000	29.6

LANCASHIRE HARD HIT
The spectacular rise of the Japanese textile industry has created widespread attention. Although our own mills have suffered a severe shake-up Lancashire has been hit the most telling blow. For instance, back in 1913 the ratio of British to Japanese imports of cotton goods into India was 350 to 1. Recently the ratio has actually turned in favor of Japan!

Statistics are usually very dull, but the following figures are illuminating: Between 1929 and 1934 exports of iron goods jumped 960 per cent; metal manufacturers, 130 per cent; clocks and scientific instruments, 200 per cent; woolen fibres, 600 per cent; toys, 120 per cent; soap, 120 per cent; and rayon fibres 200 per cent. Little wonder that industrial leaders in the United States shudder at the thought of Japan turning her attention to new fields! What has made this miraculous progress possible? The usual answer is that the Japanese have a wonderful ability to imitate and that they capitalize upon British and American inventive genius. This interpretation is not the whole truth, for the Japanese very definitely have creative ability.

The textile industry of the United States and Great Britain is nearly 200 years old, but these countries are fast surrendering their leadership because the Japanese insist on the most modern and efficient machinery. With one-sixth of the spindles and one-half of the looms, Japan annually consumes more cotton than England. Furthermore, there are no looms of the 1885 model in Japan such as can be found in certain textile centers of this country. This modern improved machinery is one reason why Japan is forging ahead.

YEN A FACTOR
Is Japan's industrial revolution the result of devaluation of the yen? This undoubtedly has been a tremendous factor. Even after our own devaluation, the yen, whose old parity with the dollar was 49 cents, is today quoted at 29 cents at New York. This means, of course, that Japan's world prices are automatically much lower than our own and those of Great Britain. Like most economists, I believe currency devaluation, as a policy, is sinful, particularly on the part of those nations who start the vicious cycle.

We must remember that Japan had a heavy unfavorable balance of trade for years. As she progressed industrially and wanted to find markets, those nations from whom she had bought tremendous quantities of goods erected barriers against her products. Then also she had to follow the declining value of the Chinese silver dollar, as silver dropped in price. So, in a sense, she was forced to take this drastic measure. Furthermore, contrary to popular belief, Japan has not been "dumping" goods at prices below actual production costs.

WAGE SCALES
Has her progress been due to "coolie" wages? Hot debates have revolved around this point. One leading authority connected with our own Department of Commerce made a study of textile wages in Japan several years ago. He found that the daily wage for the few men employed averaged \$1.55.

Women's pay was ridiculously low. Continued on Page 2

High School Debating Teams Start Series of Debates February 3

The first of three series of debates to be held during February will start February 3 between the eleven members of the Oregon High School Debating League, according to I. R. Metzger, Beaverton High School principal.

The February series provides contests for affirmative and negative teams of member schools for each of the three periods of February 3 to 8, 10 to 15 and 17 to 21. Schools participating are located in Washington, Tillamook, Yamhill, Clackamas and Multnomah (outside Portland) counties.

Beaverton high school's teams coached by E. G. Webb are sectional and state champions. **Official Schedule Drawn**

The schedule, affirmative teams travel: February 3 to 8—Gresham vs West Linn, West Linn vs Estacada, Estacada vs Gresham, Beaverton vs Sheridan, Sheridan vs Amity, Amity vs Beaverton, Newberg vs Forest Grove, Forest Grove vs Canby, Canby vs Newberg, McMinnville vs Milwaukie.

February 10 to 15 (negative teams travel)—Gresham vs Newberg, Newberg vs Milwaukie, Milwaukie vs Gresham; West Linn vs Forest Grove, Forest Grove vs Sheridan, Sheridan vs West Linn; McMinnville vs Canby, Canby vs Amity, Amity vs McMinnville; Beaverton vs Estacada.

February 17 to 21 (affirmative teams travel)—Sheridan vs McMinnville, McMinnville vs Estacada, and Estacada vs Sheridan; Amity vs West Linn, West Linn vs Newberg, and Newberg vs Amity; Milwaukie vs Canby, Canby vs Beaverton, Beaverton vs Milwaukie; Gresham vs Forest Grove.

Present Year Marks 60 Years Federal Forestry

The year 1936 marks the 60th year of forestry in the United States. In 1876, Franklin B. Hough was authorized to make the first inquiry into the forest resources of the nation. He was given \$2,000 to carry out the work.

FIRE! EXTRA! FIREMAN'S BALL

Reserve the date Saturday night, Feb. 1, Beaverton High Gym for the Fireman's Grand Ball. Boost for the Fire Boys!

The Beaverton Fire Department during 1935 made great strides forward. Eastern Washington County is proud of this organization who are equipped to fight fires and protect Beaverton homes day and night. Let everybody help make this the biggest event ever staged in Washington County. Buy tickets today. See Chief Harvey Williams or call at recorder's office, they will supply you with tickets.

Let's go fellows.

Beaverton History

Back in the "Gay Nineties" there was a lot of fun around Beaverton which all the old timers can read this will smile, and may be know something more about the story. John Henry, one of the hustling farmers around this community at one time raised several acres of fine muskmelons every year for quite a while at his home west of Cedar St.

So long about August each year many of the young fellows around this vicinity were very much interested in helping to harvest the melon crop—by moonlight. On this particular occasion two young men Ed Thomas and Otis Hayes who lived over north of town near Barnes school, overheard a bunch of young fellows organizing a "harvesting party" to swipe melons at John Henry's that night. The gang asked Ed Thomas and Otis Hayes to join the crowd, but both gentlemen said they didn't feel very well—guessed they wouldn't go. So the gang went down the road—while Thomas and Hayes hurried home, procured a couple of shot guns, cut across the fields ahead of the bunch and hid in the west end of the patch. In a short time they could see in the moonlight the outlines of the gang picking melons down near the road. Ed says "alright Otis," Bang Bang went the shot guns and over the fence, down the road, how that bunch did run, with Thomas and Hayes right after them, firing their shot guns. Well sir, those birds didn't stop running until they reached Frank Bernard's old place. Say Ed Thomas still laughs about that "melon party" he says John Henry didn't lose any melons that night.

PETER GROSSEN

Peter Grossen, aged 73 years, died at Hillsboro, January 24. Funeral services were held Monday at the Bethany Presbyterian church. He was a member of Tuality lodge A. F. and A. M.

He is survived by a son Fred Grossen, of Hillsboro, and three daughters, Mrs. Elsie Reichen of Hillsboro, Mrs. Anne Jossy, route 2, Portland and Mrs. Matilda Nottage Portland, as well as 12 grand children.

Beaverton Couple Married in 1881



Mr. and Mrs. N. Snider of Beaverton celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary January 16. They have lived in Oregon since 1908. Their children are Mrs. P. R. Osheim of Milwaukie, Mrs. J. E. Smith of Oswego, Mrs. F. H. Smith of Tillamook, Nellie and George of Beaverton, Oregonian.

Eighteen Tables in Play at Social Club Card Party

The card party sponsored Saturday night by Beaver Social club was a decided success, fourteen tables of 500 and four tables of bridge being in play, during the evening.

Mrs. King held high score at bridge and Mrs. King won. Walter Scott received mens first prize while Mr. King was consoling. For the first group of 500 players, Mrs. M. Berger was ladies first G. Boy, mens and Mrs. Florence Yeo and R. Cook won the consolation prize. In the second group Mrs. Pete Johnson won ladies first and C. Boy mens, Mrs. Lee Richey and Mr. Heldberg received the consolation prize.

Door prizes were drawn by Mrs. J. H. Feisher, Mrs. L. Richey and Mrs. R. R. Summers. Mrs. A. Timmer was awarded the pair of hand made pillow slips.

Old Time House Burns

Fire early Wednesday morning destroyed the Gassett residence south of Beaverton near Denney Road and Watson street.

Pioneers around will remember back in the gay nineties a jolly fellow came to Beaverton by the name of Hughes. Mr. Hughes took a liking to this community, purchased a tract of land East of Lombard and planted a prune orchard. Later selling this orchard and purchasing a piece of land from C. W. Allen on West Denney road and moved his house to the new location. Mr. Hughes married Mabel Evans daughter of the late A. C. Evans old time resident of Beaverton. Later Mr. Hughes and wife sold their home to Isaac Squires, a prominent blacksmith who was a member of the firm known as Squires & Son carriage makers at Beaverton a long time ago.

Eastern Star have Party

Members of the Officers club of the Eastern Star chapter with their husbands held a party in the Masonic hall Tuesday evening, there being 25 present. Contest games and 500 were the diversions of the evening followed by refreshments. Game prizes were awarded Mrs. E. Lacy and Mrs. George McGreen, 500 prizes went to Mrs. Essex Marsh and L. Stark, with Mr. and Mrs. McGreen receiving the consolation prize.

Raymond Rossi is recovering from a tonsil operation which he underwent Friday.

New Power Meeting At Hillsboro

Last Saturday the Circuit Court room at Hillsboro was crowded. It was a long session, 2 p. m. until midnight—with no time out for eats. Even "Old Henry Ford" bucked against going home when the meeting was over, and some of the taxpayers league didn't get home till morning. Ha! Ha! it was sure a hot time for Peter Zimmermans utility district.

Ann Kruger, the modern Joan of Arc of tax payers of Washington county was in the thick of the fight against more bonds! more taxes! Stating "a public utility district will bring more taxes," she got "burned" before on subscribing to a public ownership water district, now she is taxed \$1.50 per acre to pay off the bonds.

She declared that though the law made 6 per cent limitation, the county evaded this limitation by raising the valuation. President Kruger closed the arguments later by asking Zimmermann if there was any way individuals could get out of the district, he said "Yes, by voting No."

3500 Ft. New Walk

F. A. Smith, in charge of the town WPA side walk construction crew states that to date 3500 lineal feet of new sidewalk has been poured, mostly four foot wide. At present writing about 8000 lineal feet four foot walk has been signed up. The property owners pay for material and the WPA furnish the labor. More citizens are signing right along. It is a great opportunity. Build your new sidewalk now. For details get in touch with Messrs. F. A. Smith, Fred Goyt, or Homer Wilson. These gentlemen will gladly furnish you the desired information.

JOSEPH H. RAY

Joseph H. Ray, of Metzger, aged 68 years, died at his home Monday January 27. He was the husband of Alida, A. father of Mrs. Margaret Chaffin, of Honolulu, Mrs. Alida Wagner, Rydewood, Wash.; Theodore, of Seattle, Wash., Clarence of Glenwood Cal. and Franklin, Portland, also seven grandchildren. Remains were in St. Anthony church, Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment was in Mt. Calvary cemetery.

Prescriptions Browns Drug Store.

P. T. A. Group Having Largest Membership to Receive Award

Final reports of enrollment of members of local units of Parent Teacher associations of Washington County are coming in to Mrs. C. J. Sande, Forest Grove, county membership chairman. These reports show some substantial gains, especially among the smaller associations. Gains are reported by Dilley, Durham, Garden Home, Orenco, Sherwood, Forest Grove, the largest association in the county reports 218 members, a gain of 10% over last year. New associations are Skute, with 28 members, showing a large gain since Dec. 10; Forest Grove High School association has 28 members, and Tualatin, the infant of the family, has 36 members.

Some association in the county will receive an award for the greatest gain between Dec. 10, 1935, and March 31, 1936. There is keen interest to see which association this will be. The membership chairman of the winning association will receive a personal award also in appreciation of her efforts. These prizes are being offered by the county membership chairman, Mrs. Sande. The members of the executive board of the county council of Parent Teacher associations have been notified by the secretary Mrs. N. Ebelmeyer of Tigard of an important meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Robert Nixon, Forest Grove, Feb. 1. Plans will be discussed at this meeting for important business to be presented at the meeting of the County Council at Aloha, February 11.

Beaverton Boy "Weekly Honor Man" at Naval Base

James F. Wray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lillian Wray of route 1 Beaverton who enlisted in the navy at Portland Nov. 15, 1935, has been selected as "Weekly Honor Man," of his company at the U. S. Naval Training Station at San Diego, Cal., for the week ending January 24.

The title of honor man was gained by James who in keen competition with one hundred and twenty-five men in his company, demonstrates that his personal appearance is of a habitually higher standard than that of the other men in his company, that his initiative is unquestionable, and that he has above average ability to profit from the instruction given.

All those who know him are sure to be delighted to hear of his attainments. To stand above his fellows as he has done, all of whom are carefully selected men, and all competing for the same honor, speaks well for this young man and reflects very favorably on the training he received in his home and community.

State Club Leader to Visit County Clubs

Arrangements have been completed for a four-day tour of Washington county by Miss Helen Cowgill, state club leader of girls' 4-H clubs on February 11, 12, 13, and 14. On Saturday, February 15 a leaders' conference for leaders of girls' 4-H clubs will be held at the Hillsboro junior high school.

County Granges Plan Visiting Program Soon

Grangers of Washington county have arranged a visiting program, which will start early next month. It includes the following dates: February 5, Aloha to Tigard; February 15 or 17 Tigard to Winona; March 7, Winona to Sherwood; March 14, Sherwood to Beaverton; March 21, Beaverton to Scholls; April 4, Scholls to Kinton; April 15, Kinton to Leedy; May 16, Leedy to Green Mountain; June 6, Green Mountain to Washington; June 13, Washington to Hillsboro. The granges will meet on these dates at the usual meeting hour.

County Schools Seal Sales Total \$988.46

A total of \$988.46 was the returns on the Seal Sale in Washington County which is the highest amount since any record was kept. The records go back to 1926. The fact that clinics, public meetings with the showing of health films and the County Fair exhibit, newspaper articles materially aided the increase in seal sales this year, according to Mrs. Harry R. Morgan, County Seal Sale Chairman.

It's the Water!

In a trip to the Town well Tuesday with Water Supt. Fred Goyt, a reporter of this paper found conditions good around the Town reservoir. The new road, recently constructed through the Woerdle property, leads from the highway on a good grade North direct to well. On arriving the electric pump was running on high, filling up the big 500 gallon reservoir with sparkling water, which tests regular Grade A, bacteria test, zero. It's the water—that is making Beaverton famous.

Farmers Asked To Economic Conference

Seventeen Committee Reports on Agricultural Problems will Be Submitted

WM. F. CYRUS
County Agent

Reports of the 17 committees of farmers working on the problems under consideration in connection with the Economic Conference have been completed. Seventy-nine farmers of Washington county have been pondering these questions, collecting data pertaining to them, and working out their reports since about November 1. The results of these studies will be presented, to all those who care to be on hand, next Tuesday and Wednesday, February 4 and 5, in the Hillsboro Grange Hall on Third street between Washington and Baseline, at Hillsboro.

Farm credit, land utilization, farm organization, agricultural situation, poultry, dairy, farm crops, horticulture soils, and general livestock committees, and their various subdivisions, have considered the status of these enterprises in this county, the relation of the situation in the state and elsewhere as relating to these enterprises locally, and their recommendations regarding local practices. Following the opening of the conference Tuesday morning those in attendance will have an opportunity to meet with their respective commodity groups and in these tentative reports will be discussed and from this discussion the final report will be developed.

Facts brought out in these studies are proving interesting as well as informative. It was rather surprising to some members of the committee to find that there is less land in Washington county in farms today than there was in 1900. Fifty-three per cent of the total area of the county was in farms in 1900 and in January, 1935, 48 per cent was in farms.

So far as quality of the land is concerned, there are almost no marginal farms in Washington county. The only marginal farms that we have here are primarily those that are marginal because of their small size or the relatively small amount of cultivated land that can be cropped. A gross income of approximately \$1800 annually is needed for most families in the opinion of the farm credit committee. The size of farm needed to produce this will, of course, vary according to the type of intensiveness of the farming operations.

The general committee who worked out the original plan for this conference beginning on October 21 was as follows:

W. J. Enschede, Hillsboro; F. J. Lewis, Forest Grove; R. G. Ritchey, Forest Grove; John Plass, Banks; W. F. Mills, Hillsboro; H. R. Findley, Portland; Henry Hagg, Reedville; A. L. Croen, Hillsboro; Frank Erickson, Hillsboro; W. E. Marr, Banks; Fred H. Jossy, Portland; F. E. Rowell, Hillsboro; E. W. Woodford, Forest Grove; Gus Krause, Cornelius.

The home economics committee of the Hillsboro Grange have announced that on both days of this conference they will prepare light lunches at noon which can be purchased in the basement of the Grange Hall at a very nominal cost.

Home Agent Named

Miss Blanche Eickworth has been appointed home demonstration agent for Washington and Yamhill counties.

Planting Garlic

W. L. Burke of Scholls is busy planting garlic this week on the lowlands near the Tualatin river. Planting white variety.

ROCKS LOOK ALIKE

Mr. Rinehart who has done prospecting in Southern Oregon related Tuesday that there is a similarity in appearance of rock containing gold found locally which resembles rock taken at Grants Pass mining district.

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