

### John Johnson Writes of Sights and Experience in Orient

Editor's Note: John W. Johnson and Scott Davis, well known Medford men, sailed from San Francisco on November 9th for a trip around the world. Their voyage will be of several months' duration, during which time they will visit scores of Asiatic and European countries. At the request of this paper, Mr. Johnson will describe the interesting trip for Mail Tribune readers, the following letter being the second of his colorful articles which will appear from time to time.

TOKYO, Japan. — The next day we spent in visiting the various shopping districts of the city, as well as the shops in which such products of art are made in Japanese, as lacquer, porcelains, lacquers, bamboo and bronze. We wandered into the many side streets, narrow and thronged with thousands of men and women, as well as children, all clattering along with their wooden clogs, and their various vociferous and squinting their way through a countless number of bicycles, rickshaws, and street vendors shaking little bells and singing their various wares—made a most picturesque setting of Oriental life.

**Japs Facing Colossal Task**  
I was impressed with the total absence of laughter or even an appearance of happiness on the faces of the people of Tokyo, for during our entire time spent in this city and in Yokohama, we cannot recall having heard a sound of laughter, a whistled tune or a word of song. These people are going about the serious task of rebuilding their stricken city, and the task is colossal.

**These Japs are pretty good merchants, and we have had some hot combats with them, fighting for their lowest prices. They are all "sharp-shooters" and see you coming, and the American is spotted as "ready cash." Scott and I are a pretty tough pair to trim, and it helps me considerably to have knowledge of merchandise.**

**Trip to Nikko Made**  
The trip to Nikko is made thru the most fertile agricultural district of Japan, and it is wonderful to look over thousands of acres of land, every inch of which is being produced to its maximum in food products. A great portion of this land is being cultivated in the production of rice, but in some districts the mulberry is cultivated extensively, the leaves of which furnish nourishment for the silk worms.

The rice area is all divided in small square sections, from fifty to one hundred feet square, bordered by a narrow embankment, about ten inches or one foot wide, on top of which is a very narrow little path, and these embankments merely separate one little square from another, and the depressions are run full of water, as the rice plants require it. Tangerines are also grown in some sections, and they raise a huge vegetable like giant white radish that goes to make up a portion of the nation's food supply.

Another amazing sight is to see the vast amount of labor that goes to the production of their crops. To look over their fields at any time is to witness a huge army of men and women, toiling away in these fields. The women as well as the men working in the fields are dressed in a very heavy, large-wheeled carts loaded with huge piles of rice and vegetables, amounting easily to a ton or more, with perhaps an old woman and man yoked to it, pulling and tugging it along with the strained look of the struggle in their faces.

No modern methods are in evidence in the cultivation or harvesting of these crops, for in most instances hundreds of men and women were seen falling out the rice by hand, and in a few places we noted an occasional gasoline engine doing the work. All children are compelled to attend school in Japan, and only the men and women were working in the fields.

We returned from Nikko in the evening, arriving at Tokyo about 8:30, and after having a nice late dinner at a very fashionable Japanese cafe, we returned to our hotel for the night.

**Kyoto is Culture Center**  
The next day we spent seeing the city and visiting the shopping districts. The following day we left Tokyo on our way to Kobe, stopping for a day's shopping and sight-seeing in Kyoto. This is the center of Japanese culture and art. Everything Japanese is at its best in Kyoto. It was formerly the capital of Japan for a thousand years, and the imperial palace at this place was used in the recent coronation of the emperor. This city is 327 miles from Tokyo, and most of this distance was through rich agricultural, as well as manufacturing districts, with all Japan working and her soil producing its maximum. She has to import rice each year from China to feed her people.

**Coronation is Celebrated**  
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### Streamlining Cars Would Double Speed



The 10-foot wind tunnel of the United States bureau of standards (above), scene of many scientific studies with airplane models, revealed the extraordinary part air resistance plays in limiting the speed of modern automobiles. Two perfect scale models, resembling toys (lower left) were built of the tests carried on by Dr. H. L. Dryden (lower right).

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WASHINGTON—If automobiles were streamlined like airplanes they would double their present speeds. However, they would rival the futuristic designs of modern artists and probably would not be wanted by present day motorists.

Speeds of stock automobiles today, it has been learned through experiments carried on by the bureau of standards, are determined almost exclusively by the amount of resistance offered by the air through which they must pass.

Careful streamlining solved the problem of defeating air resistance in airplane construction, but a streamlined automobile with a pointed front and a long thin tail is beyond the average motorist's imagination.

It has been learned that the present-day automobile with a maximum speed of 50 miles an hour would have to have an engine eight times its present size and power to attain a speed of 100 miles an hour.

Dr. H. L. Dryden of the bureau of standards found in the course of his tests with perfect eighth scale models of a small car now on the market that at 40 miles an hour, eight extra horsepower would be necessary to overcome the air resistance of the full scale automobile. At 50 miles an hour, 15.7 extra horsepower would be required; at 60 miles, 27.2 horsepower; and at 70 miles, 43.2 horsepower.

spent three or four hours looking about this city. Kobe is the main port of southern Japan, and a great manufacturing center. Being a seaport city, it has been modernized too much to be very interesting.

Had a lovely trip the first day out from Kobe, going through the straits, between the beautiful islands—the sea, blue as sapphire, and the sun shining above. Smooth seas and sunshine are very necessary to the pleasures of a sea voyage, and this day was perfect. The second day out we encountered heavy, rough seas, and as usual, half the passengers aboard remained in their staterooms.

**Steamer Enters Whangpoo**  
The morning of the 11th we entered the delta at the mouth of the Yangtze river, a great yellow floor of this mud. We crept slowly up this river until we entered the Whangpoo, the river that flows through Shanghai. We proceeded slowly up this stream, dragging our keel through the yellow mud.

**Shanghai Harbor Described**  
The waters of the port of Shanghai, perhaps, will afford the greatest variety of water craft to be found in the world. Shanghai is not as large a city as Tokyo, Tokyo having a population of over two million and five hundred thousand. Shanghai's population is but one and one-half million, but while it is really a poor harbor, it is the trading center and clearing house to the greatest population in the world, for it serves as an outlet to the most densely populated portion of China—Shanghai is the sea port for a population of two hundred million people. Along the water front are the foreign concessions, and is made up of beautiful modern, up-to-date buildings, fine hotels and club grounds. The parks and recreation grounds are very fine, and Shanghai is called the Paris of the Far East, and perhaps deserves this reputation.

**Anti-White Hatred Noted**  
All the other parts of the city are typically Chinese, with narrow streets, thin shops, congested population, unsanitary conditions, extreme poverty, distressing sights, and staggering odds, but it is fascinating beyond words, and we were unfortunate in seeing as much as we did, for the air is filled with a feeling of apprehension, as things do not look too good around Shanghai now, and the hatred of foreigners is spreading the breaking point. We were warned by the captain of our vessel against going beyond the

hundred thousand people, so you see what a small chance a Chinese man has when he goes something wrong with him that needs real medical attention.

I have talked with so many interesting people and have learned of so many things that are new and instructive that I already feel well repaid for my trip, and it is not as yet one-fourth finished.

We left Shanghai this morning, and waited out in the great yellow flood for the tide to come in to lift our vessel so we could proceed down the stream. We are now out on the open sea, and have smooth sailing, and say, it is surely good when the sea is not rough.

I am inclined to think our passage to Yokohama was unusually rough, and as a result, very uncomfortable, but when it is smooth going and we feel well, it is fine. To those who are inclined to be sick I would never recommend a sea voyage. However, the information you gain and the many strange and interesting places are well worth the sacrifice of being uncomfortable.

It was very cold at Shanghai, and they advise us that we will have to don our linen suits at Hong Kong—seven hundred miles south.

**To Witness Sea Buri**  
It seems incredible, but we were up in the captain's cabin, and he explained it, saying that it was the cold monsoon from the north Manchurian plains that swept down over Shanghai that made it so cold, while Hong Kong had the mountain ranges north to protect her from the winds and the warm currents washing her shores. He also advised us that a man was to be buried at sea tonight at nine o'clock, and we expect to witness the ceremony.

(Another of Mr. Johnson's intensely interesting letters will be published at an early date in the Mail Tribune, describing the adventures and experiences of Mr. Davis and Mr. Johnson on their round-the-world trip.)

Legumes, such as the clovers, require a large amount of lime and are sensitive to acidity. It is best, therefore, to apply lime previous to seeding down this type of crop in localities where soil has a tendency to be "sour." The more fertile the land is, the greater the degree of acidity that a crop can successfully withstand.

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Safety Precautions Taken  
To give you some idea of the danger here, I will say that it was necessary that every man on board have a .45, fully loaded, strapped to his belt—four guards with riot guns were stationed on the bridge of the boat and stood guard every minute the vessel was in port. These guards have remained on deck all the time except when the China coast, to avoid a possible pirate attack, I gave you the impression of most people who have seen the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo and its classification as one of the world's finest hotels, but while in Shanghai we had the privilege of going through the majestic hotel, and for real splendor this hotel has them all beaten.

It was formerly a very wealthy Chinese private home, and was purchased and remodeled and enlarged for a hotel. They left several of the rooms as they were originally, and, really, words cannot describe the beauty and marvelous Oriental elegance of this place.

We decided not to remain in Shanghai as long as we at first planned, and thought it more to our liking to use this time in Hong Kong and a visit to the ancient city of Canton.

No Police Protection  
You must understand that the white man has no police protection at all in the Orient, not even in Japan. As an illustration—a gentleman wishing to go some place in Tokyo engaged a ricksha to take him to his destination. When outside the ricksha broke down, and threw the white man out in the street, bruising him and nearly breaking his neck. He was hailed before the police court and fined 120 yen or \$50.00, for breaking the ricksha. In China it is worse.

Medical Facilities Lacking  
To give you some idea of China's condition in the medical way: We had a doctor aboard the Cleveland returning to China to take up his duties in a hospital at a point near Tientsin. This hospital had a capacity of two hundred patients, and it served a population of three

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