

Order Stops Movement From Coastal Points

New restrictions forbidding the travel of people of Japanese origin within the protected area will halt the assembling of families into Vancouver. Large groups have been arriving on every boat as coastal communities are being abandoned prior to mass evacuation from Vancouver and the valley.

Two boats from the north brought in some 80 people, while an indefinite number arrived from Port Alice and the West Coast. Their movement, of course, is known to the authorities, since they are required to report if they are nationals.

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JACL Helps In U.S. Removal

SAN FRANCISCO—Three hundred leaders of the Japanese American Citizens League have concluded a three-day session here today to arrange for evacuation of their nationals to reception centres to be set up by Western Defense Command.

These reception centres, probably to be located in Owens Valley and the Palo Verde Valley near Blythe, will be used for "processing and organizing thousands of aliens and others" who will be excluded from military areas on the Pacific Coast.

Formal announcement of the projected move was made last week by Lt.-Gen. John L. De Witt, commanding the western defense command and the Fourth army. The camps will be established to register evacuees and to determine their capabilities to permanent locations for duration of the war. Some, however, may stay at the processing station for the duration.

SPCA WILL CARE FOR YOUR PETS

Families facing evacuation and owning pets which they will be unable to take care of, should contact the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at the City Police Station.

The Society will make arrangements to take care of these pets, or, if necessary, to dispose of them.

Thanks, Ocean Falls!

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higher.
And the Weather
As for the weather, it was freely rumored that the snow was several feet thick and that men were nigh on to freezing up here. Actually the snow is about six inches deep. And the climate is dry so that although the thermometer may dip below zero at night, it's not much colder than in Vancouver. One feels the chill mostly in the early morning and at night. One man remarked "store ni kane mokasasete, bakamita."

It will be another two weeks before the road construction really gets under way. At present the ground is frozen solid so that pick and spade work is out of the question. In the meantime, we will be kept occupied in camp chores and in getting tools and equipment ready for the road work. Working hours are from eight to five with one hour off for lunch. Present plans call for the construction of camps (similar to the one already established here) every four miles or so along the

Jasper - Tete Jaune (pronounced Tee Joan) stretch. The road itself will be constructed for two-lane traffic and will most probably be tar-surfaced.

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Men OK. In Rocky Road Camps

By Yoshimitsu Higashi

(Special Correspondent from Jasper and way points)

RED PASS JUNCTION.... return home again after this is where the ribbon of steel of the all over.

Canadian National Railway. By the time the second group streaking northward meets the line from Prince Rupert.... in the first unit had just completed building six "tents" each with accommodation for 18. These tents are not to be compared with brick homes as far as warmth and coziness go, but they do provide adequate shelter. They have a wooden framework, made of shiplap nailed over alder logs for flooring, and walls about three feet high. The framework is covered with canvas, which should keep out the snow and rain, unless someone decides to take a poke at the roof.

Squatting in the middle of the 15 x 25 foot room is a big heater, which gives out plenty of warmth if properly fed. Wooden trunks are piled up on three sides of the room, with straw mattresses. And since the men have come fully prepared for sub-zero weather, and since the stove is kept burning all night, no one need shiver nights in his sleep.

Food seems to have been another big worry of the workers. Apparently some wild stories have been circulated, saying that the first arrivals were practically starving. So much so that one young man came well stocked with tins of pork and beans, tinned fruit and cocoa. But as far as your writer can find out, these have been only wild stories.

The food on the whole is plentiful and satisfactory. Cooking "isn't bad" considering the circumstances. A typical menu for the day consists of flapjacks, cereal or eggs with bacon or ham for breakfast; either a roast or steak for dinner and supper with vegetables, and so forth. As for the amount, it's comparable to that served in Powell Street Cafes.

Fish is served two or three times hereabouts, Geekee) is just eight a week. When one considers that miles west of Jasper, and the board, at present, is pegged at 75c a day for the Japanese nationals per day, the cooks aren't doing so badly at all.

For those who have been used to "nihonshoku," however, the prospect of eating "yoshoku" three times a day, seven days a week and much barer than at the coast, may be rather dismal. But, according to the foreman, rice is in the way up. Of course real Japanese meals, such as the women-folk serve at home, are out of the question. Freight charges from Vancouver run about \$1.25 per hundred weight, which would mean that board would be much

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LOAN TOPS

\$310,000

Victory bond purchases by local Japanese Canadian residents in the last three days amounted to over \$60,000.

It boosted the total to a figure surpassing all expectations—\$313,700. This total was announced as incomplete Monday by J. J. Johnston, of the International Division of the Loan campaign, who said returns showed 1584 subscribers.

The last victory loan in 1941 yielded some \$360,000 from Japanese Canadian subscribers.

A comparison drawn by the News-Herald showed that 2570 Chinese applicants subscribed nearly \$400,000, considerably less per capita both on a subscriber and population basis. Returns, however, are not complete, Mr. Johnston said, and these figures might be changed considerably.

Saburo Shinobu, of the Manufacturer's Life, who was general chairman of the Japanese loan committee, said he was very pleased at the showing.

Considering the very difficult circumstances he felt that the last minute spurt had helped the community make a highly creditable showing in the drive for victory.

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CRUMBLING RUINS

All Nationals Ordered To Roadwork; New Travel Ban

VANCOUVER, March 9—The ruins of a shattered world crumbled faster and closer around 20,000 harassed and bewildered people over the week-end and today, as governmental machinery moved on with its work of "demolition." Fathers, husbands, brothers being removed each day; livelihood and means of sustenance going and gone; ordered to "leave the protected area forthwith" and yet ordered to "remain quietly in their homes," forbidden to stir into the street after dusk on penalty of six months hard labor; automobiles, radios, cameras confiscated—the 20,000 feel the heavier blows of war every hour.

Speed-up in the removal of all Japanese nationals was announced today, as the surrendering of automobiles, cameras and radios commenced. These new developments followed hard upon orders issued by the Minister of Justice, forbidding any movement within or from the protected area by first and second generation alike.

Monday, Col. C. H. Hill of the R. C. M. P. announced an order requiring "all male Japanese nationals residing in the coastal protected area to report immediately" at R.C.M.P. barracks. Upon reporting, they are ordered to road camps in the Jasper region; and are subject to internment for failure to comply.

The general order follows up the former system of notifying individuals by letter to report for assignment.

Extensive Accomodation J. H. McVety, regional supervisor for the employment service, said that extensive accomodation was now available. Groups will leave Tuesday and Wednesday, following up those who left Friday and Saturday.

The order banning movement from the protected area applies to those who have already left and declares that they may not settle anywhere, except with permission from the commission.

"No person of the Japanese race ordinarily resident in the protected area, aforesaid," declares the order, "who has left or leaves such area otherwise than pursuant to an order of the British Columbia Security Commission shall reside or take up residence in any place except a place to which persons of the Japanese race are or have been evacuated by the Commission or in which persons so evacuated are by such commission authorized to reside."

A second order forbids movement within the protected area itself.

It is not known as yet how strict a ban the Commission is likely to place on the movement of individuals who wish to leave the coast voluntarily. It is understood that the purpose of the order is to prevent evacuees from settling in districts opposed to them, particularly the Okanagan Valley. Permission, however, has already been refused applicants who wish to go to assured employment even outside British Columbia.

The Commission itself Saturday pushed plans for mass evacuation, naming an advisory board to deal especially with problems of housing. The Board will advise on remodelling of existing shelter and plan new construction.

The announcement was greeted with some relief in the community, where there is a growing anxiety to determine exactly what program is to be followed. There is, it would seem, a strong wish to end the uncertainty hanging over everyone's head, and which is perhaps the strongest factor creating unrest.

Autos, Radios, Cameras Turned In Rapidly to RCMP

One of those skillful, hard-working gardeners, over whose ultimate departure even our friends of the "Sun" voice a suggestion of regret, was the first Japanese Canadian to surrender a motor vehicle to the Government of Canada, sharp at nine o'clock Monday morning at Hastings Park.

Driving a 1937 Harley-Davidson motor cycle, which he used to ride to his gardening work, Yoshimitsu Sumi of Kitsilano, a naturalized citizen, resident in Canada since 1906, led the procession of cars into the impounding enclosure at the Hastings Park race track. R.C.M.P. officers in uniform and civilian clothes, press and movie news cameramen, and the car dealers joined in the reception.

At the same time the first radios and cameras found their way across the counter at R.C.M.P. barracks, extra equipment, condition of barracks at 33rd and Heather this morning. In the future those who want to hear Japanese broadcasts, will have to read them in English, preferably in the Province.

By 5 p.m. Monday, when the gates were closed, 78 trucks, from half-ton to two-ton models had been turned in, and 53 automobiles, ranging from new and shiny models down the line to rattling jalopies.

Early on the job Monday morning were car dealers hot on the scene. Few owners, however, were willing to sell, preferring to sur-

render their property to the government.

The cars are being impounded inside the inner enclosure of the race track, according to a prepared plan. Receiving officers of the Mounted Police, under Inspector Douglas Forest, check in each vehicle with standard "exhibit reports."

These are completed with details on licence, serial and engine numbers, and general condition of the vehicle.

Expert on the scene is E. A. Cruise of Consolidated Motors Ltd., who is representing the

Custodian of Enemy Alien Property, to whom the vehicles are officially surrendered.

Estimated number of cars in the Lower Mainland due to be turned in now at Hastings Park ranged from 1300 to 1500, which would require some ten acres of parking space. It is understood that some shelter is to be provided for the better class vehicles impounded.

The camera and radio business at the Barracks was no less brisk, as scores of residents arrived by street car, taxi and truck to deliver up their "contraband" articles.

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