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### Properly Sale

## Japanese Will Take Test Case to Court

Japanese property-owners, at a special meeting held in Kaslo Tuesday, made their final decision to proceed with court actions against compulsory sale of property owned by them in protected areas of British Columbia.

During the past several weeks the Japanese through their Amalgamated Property-owners' Association, have been campaigning for funds with which to launch a test case.

Final decision to proceed with a case is taken to mean that sufficient funds have been obtained. The Vancouver legal firm of Norris & MacLennan will act as counsel for the Japanese.

No test case, however, will be started until after the first parcel of Japanese property has been sold under the compulsory order.

The actual legal procedure to be followed has not yet been definitely decided, although it is thought that a case to test the legality of the federal order might be taken to the Exchequer Court.

The Exchequer Court sits in Vancouver once a year, usually in September. A special hearing would require the case to be heard in Ottawa.

In the meantime Custodian of Enemy Property in Vancouver, who will act as the sole arbiter of the sale, is making final plans for the disposal of the Japanese property.

It is expected the sale may be started soon after June 15.

#### Fire Alarm by Mail.

WATER, England. — (AP) — Fiercest in this Surrey town announced the strangest fire alarm in history—a letter by mail. It reported that a quantity of coke had caught fire, but by the time the firemen got there the blaze had been extinguished.

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### SMASH AIRDROMES.

Long-range Russian bombers retaliated immediately, smashing at enemy airdromes north-west of Bryansk where German planes, ammunition dumps and supplies were reported destroyed.

Land fighting along the vast front was confined to feeler stabs and softening-up blows from heavy artillery.

Another report of successful Soviet aerial battles came from the Leningrad front where Soviet pilots shot down 22 Nazi planes.

Russian bombers, striking at a German airport in an unspecified area, destroyed 20 Nazi craft on the ground and damaged eight others.

Describing German attempts to send supplies to their besieged garrison at Novorossisk on the Black Sea, the Russians said they sank three barges carrying supplies and troops.

German planes, scouting a convoy near the extreme northern front, were attacked by 18 Russian planes, which shot down seven of the 24 planes in the group.

For the first time in weeks,

Lower Kuban.

It said the Russians attempted to land forces behind the German lines yesterday, but claim Nazi planes sank 47 Soviet landing boats off the east coast of the Sea of Azov.

## Prison Terms For Robbery

PETERBOROUGH, Ont., June 9.—(CP)—John Sercoski, 26, Winnipeg and Alec Zolomy, of Hamilton, Ont., were given penitentiary terms after they pleaded guilty before Judge C. M. German to charges of burglary and attempted jailbreak which arose from an attempt at cafe robbery here March 18 and an attempt to escape jail May 1.

Sercoski was sentenced three and a half years in penitentiary on the burglary charge with two years for attempt jailbreak. Zolomy was given three years on the burglary charge and two for the attempt jailbreak. Sentences in both instances are concurrent.

Color photography at night from airplanes has been made possible by use of a special filter.

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