

# Riots Feared In B. C. if Japs Stay on Coast

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VANCOUVER, B. C., Monday, Jan. 5.—(UP)—With fresh warnings from Alderman H. D. Wilson in mind that protesting elements in the city and province are threatening to take the Japanese situation into their own hands, the Standing Committee on Orientals in British Columbia was en route to Ottawa today. It will recommend to the Dominion government that all Japanese males over 18 years old be removed from the British Columbia coastline.

"If something isn't done there are going to be riots," declared Alderman Wilson.

It was understood that a number of organizations in Vancouver were planning mass meetings to urge immediate government action regarding the Japanese problem.

The committee's report was said also to ask creation of a three-man board to dispose of Japanese fishing vessels immobilized by the outbreak of war.

Alderman Wilson, meanwhile, said he would ask the City Council this week to order the removal of all Japanese to points east of the Rockies as a precaution against "fifth-column" activities. British Columbia has 25,000 Japanese, many of whom live along the coast.

"Japanese should be rounded up first and investigated later," Wilson declared. He cited "fifth-column" work in Hawaii as a major factor in Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor December 7.

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