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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to  
SD 840.51 Frozen Credits/110728

August 21, 1945

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 1, 1943, with enclosures, concerning the activities of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play. It is noted that this organization receives many inquiries relative to the Japanese-American population of the United States and that on occasion you wish to obtain information from this Department.

The inquiry contained in your letter in regard to impounded Japanese credits in this country is one which arises under Executive Order 8389, as amended, regulating transactions in foreign exchange and foreign-owned property, providing for the reporting of foreign-owned property, and related matters. In as much as this Executive Order is one which is administered by the Treasury Department, your letter has been referred to that Department for reply.

With reference to your Committee's general activities, the War Relocation Authority, Washington, D. C., and the Department of Justice, which are engaged in activities relating respectively to the relocation of persons of Japanese ancestry and the internment of Japanese subjects, may be able to answer questions which arise in the future regarding these matters.

You may be interested to know that upon the outbreak of war, this Government communicated to the principal opposing belligerents, including Japan, its intention to observe the Geneva Prisoners of War Convention of 1929 and to apply its provisions to civilian internees, in so

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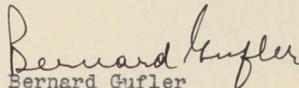


Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, Executive Secretary,  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play,  
2207 Union Street,  
Berkeley, California.

far as they are adaptable to civilians, and informed the opposing belligerents that it expected them to do likewise. The opposing belligerents, including the Japanese Government, informed the Government of the United States that they would on their part apply the provisions of the Geneva Convention not only to prisoners of war but also to civilians.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bernard Gufler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Bernard Gufler  
Assistant Chief, Special Division

July 1, 1943

Rev. Robert Inglis  
3805 Piedmont Ave.  
Oakland, Calif.

Dear Mr. Inglis:

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of  
the copy of the resolution unanimously passed  
by the East Bay Minister's Fellowship on June 15th.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Secretary

mj

July 1, 1943

Dr. Robert E. O'Brien  
University of Washington  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Bob:

I am delighted that you are meeting again for further organizational plans. It is difficult to do much from here without a lot of local "push".

I've just been in Los Angeles again and am glad to say that Joseph Power of Los Angeles City College has taken hold and is doing a sweet job of completing organization in the world's hottest spot on our particular question.

I'm sending a few more pamphlets. Would you find use for several hundred? We'll be glad to send them.

Also, how do you like the "Slap the Jap"?

Very sincerely yours,

Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 1, 1943

Mr. A.L. Wirin  
257 South Spring St.  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Mr. Wirin:

I am sorry to have missed you.

Los Angeles is being well organized. at  
long last. Joseph Power of 1318 Waltman Ave. is  
working on it, and is making fine headway.

This present hate campaign is terrific,  
isn't it? and more about to spout from Washing-  
ton.

Have you seen Superman of late?

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

*Miss G. Cotterill*

Hansel Harter  
1084 Portola Drive  
San Francisco, 16

July 1, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,  
Executive Secretary  
The Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
465 California Street,  
San Francisco

Dear Mrs. Kingman,

This is to acknowledge receipt of leaflets  
"Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and  
Fair Play" and to thank you for the promptness of your  
office in forwarding them to me.

The sympathies of our group are with you in  
this democratic endeavor. We would appreciate it if  
you would keep us informed as to your activities, and  
we welcome any suggestions as to our usefulness in  
your program.

Sincerely,

*Hansel Harter*  
President of the San Francisco  
Fellowship Of Reconciliation

333 Coughlin ST  
Vallejo July 1-1943

copy  
7/5/43  
Mrs. Ruth W. King  
San Francisco.

Dear Mrs. King.

In the June 24th issue of Pacific Citizen in black print with the caption "California May Vote to Exclude Evacuees in 1944 Elections" there is an item of news from Sacramento telling of the "filing of articles of incorporation last week for the organization of the California Citizens Council for the adoption of an evacuee exclusion law +". The item ends with the statement that "Maurice P. Harrison of San Francisco is chairman of the group and Mrs. Ruth W. Kugman of Berkeley is executive secretary."

Perhaps your attention has already been called to this but if not I feel sure you will want to advise the paper of its mistake for of course, you couldn't be executive secretary of this organization and of the Committee on American Principles - Fair Play.

Very cordially

Mrs. Ruth W. Sears.

July 3, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Sears  
333 Coughlin St.  
Vallejo, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Sears:

In regard to the error in the Pacific Citizen of June 24th, the editors were immediately notified of the error made in the composing room and a correction will be made in a forthcoming issue.

Thank you very much for your interest in notifying us.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

OK reply  
7/9/43  
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THE COMMITTEE FOR  
WORK WITH JAPANESE AMERICAN EVACUEES

Appointed by the National Council of the  
CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

Midwest Office

6501 WYDOWN BOULEVARD  
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TRUMAN B. DOUGLASS  
Chairman

CLARENCE S. GILLET  
Executive Secretary

En route to 521 East Cook St.,  
Santa Maria, Calif.,  
July 1, 1943.

Committee on American Principles  
and Fair Play,  
Room 203,  
465 California St.,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Gentlemen:

Thank you for sending the materials to me at 6501 Wydown, St. Louis. We shall need them there. At the same time I was not able to get some of them before leaving so I'd be glad to have a small supply sent to me at Santa Maria. My expectation is that this letter will reach you by Monday morning, July 5. That will be a holiday but if the things are mailed Tuesday I ought to receive them before leaving Saturday night, July 10.

Please send me fifteen copies of the statement by the Chief of Police, Gabrielson, at Honolulu and of Colnel Kendall J. Fielder. We'd like five of the statement similarly mimeographed and sent to me about the same time. If you now have a supply of Mr. Fisher's letter please send me fifteen of that. Then we'd like 25 of this new leaflet issued June 15.

We'll send the \$1.10 for the first material and this now requested, together - when we know what this second batch costs.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence Gillett.

July 6, 1943

Rev. Clarence Gillett  
531 East Cook St.  
Santa Maria, Calif.

Dear Mr. Gillett:

I have sent under separate cover the material you requested in your letter received July 5th.

If there has been any error in the selection of the material, please let us know, and we will be glad to rectify the error.

The charge will be seventy cents.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

July 2, 1943

Mr. William C. Carr  
1380 W. Colorado St.  
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Mr. Carr:

I haven't time for a real letter. However, may I congratulate you for your excellent plans for mailing the Arizona letter and Haypers' reprints.

The Arizona letter excellent, and we are mailing you the 10,000 copies of our statement for enclosure in the Harpers' releases.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 3, 1943

Dr. Donald C. Peattie  
940 Mission Canyon Rd.  
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Dear Dr. Peattie:

It is good to know that you have taken over the leadership of the Santa Barbara Branch of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play. Dr. Deutsch was most gratified with your acceptance and we are looking forward to the addition of one more cooperating group in Southern California.

At your suggestion I am sending materials which we feel will be of value in your organizing meeting. In answer to some of your own questions:

- 1.) Branch organizations apparently need a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary-treasurer, plus the sub-committee heads indicated on the enclosed sheet. This group obviously makes up an excellent executive committee.
- 2.) The activities are suggested by the sheet on "Suggested Sub-Committees".
- 3.) Dues, or contributions, are necessary in order that the central office, as well as the regional offices, about to be established in Seattle and Los Angeles, may be maintained, and the materials and organization details distributed as widely as possible. As you will see in the By-Laws, a certain quota (not to be regarded as inflexible) is agreed upon between the organizing group and the central office, to be raised annually by the local group. Any funds over and beyond that, are for the use of the local committee. We suggest that for Santa Barbara an annual quota of \$350. (two hundred and fifty dollars) seems proportionate to the quotas of other communities. Fresno is operating under a quota of \$200, as are Pasadena and Sacramento. Naturally, if your committee feels that it would be able to raise a larger amount, it merely means a wider program for us all.

We are just now getting together a new release, which should be in shape by next week. May I suggest that you write to Mr. William Carr, 1360 West Colorado St., Pasadena, and ask him for an idea of some of the work the committee there

is undertaking and how it supplements the thing we are doing on a "fact finding, fact disseminating" basis.

If you wish further information, I shall be glad to try to give it to you. --I liked the July Readers' Digest.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W Kingman

RWK:mj

*reply my 7/20/43*

National Board Y.W.C.A. :: 600 Lexington Avenue :: New York, N. Y.

*we have record of receipt of agency June 14*

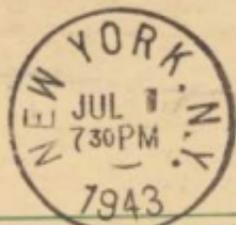
July 1, 1943

In checking our records, we find that we have not received a bill covering our order # 876 of May 19, for membership in the COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN RPINCIPLES AND FAIR PLAY in the name of Miss Emma Kaufman, National Council Y.W.C.A., 571 Jarvis Street, Toronto, Canada.

May we ask you to send us an invoice at once so that we may close this order?

*Check*

*Hena Gostukowich*  
Purchasing Unit



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Committee on American Principles and Fair Play

465 California Street

San Francisco, California

Attention: Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Wes Harry Kingman  
% University YWCA  
Union St + Allston Way  
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Ruth Kingman, 7/31

Thanks loads for wiring me about Sproul + Deutsch seeing Dillon Myer. I am not wiring a reply because I don't feel an additional meeting need be called. ~~I~~ I hope I arrive in ~~the~~ Berkeley in time to see Monroe Deutsch about it, but it won't matter since Margaret Cosgraves will have the latest straight from the horse's mouth + she'll be there 8/2.

Will be arriving morning of August 4 unless Challenger is late, leaving afternoon August 5.

Be good to see you all

Tom Bodine

July 3, 1943

Mr. Royce Brier  
The Chronicle  
Mission at Fifth St.  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mr. Brier:

Not being in a "Letter to the Editor" frame of mind, kindly do not consider this as Safety Valve material. I am sending you, along with our own statement, the enclosed, as an example of the sort of thing which is snowballing too many Californians into a most inflammable sort of mass hysteria.

I believe that you are familiar with the position of our committee, of which Mr. Chester Rowell is a member, so you will also know that we are scarcely an ill advised group in our thinking on this subject.

For some time I have intended to ask your advice on ways and means by which more persons might be reached in an attempt to create a more realistic and constructive attitude toward our loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry. As it becomes increasingly obvious that this recent "hate" campaign is playing into the hands of Japanese propagandists, (see July 3rd Chronicle reprint of "Race Trouble is the Japs' Best Propaganda" by Mr. Owen Lattimore) it seems that something pretty widespread must be done to combat just this sort of thing.

The Chronicle has so long been the most fair minded of our California papers, that I do not hesitate to go to you with this very serious problem.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

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July 9, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Room 203  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I am very much interested in the subject you mention in your letter of July 3, but I really am not in a position to give you any advice in the matter. The Chronicle is doing what is within its power to maintain a balanced attitude on the Japanese problem. I think this is rather difficult when stories arise in the news such as that of the other day where some Japanese members of the American armed forces had concealed a camera near Seattle.

If at any time you have any suggestions to make to me regarding this problem I would be pleased to hear from you.

Very truly yours,

*Royce Brier*

Royce Brier  
Director of Editorials

RB/ab

July 3, 1943

Mrs. Frank C Kellogg  
Fowler  
California

Dear Mrs. Kellogg:

Reprints of the Rowell editorial are now being made, and several hundred will be sent to each Fair Play group as soon as they are off of the press.

We have Dr. Barrow's promise of something *both* in writing and over the air, but his health limits the amount of effort he can expend outside his regular schedule. Such statements are certainly not desirable.

Very sincerely yours,

Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

L. B. SCHLINGHEYDE  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
910 Eleventh Street  
MODESTO, CALIFORNIA  
Telephone 128

*M. Kingman  
7/18/43*

July 3, 1943.

Pacific Coast Committee on  
American Principles and Fair Play,  
Berkeley, California.

Mrs. Ruth King man, Secretary:

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for the invitation sent to the writer by  
your committee that I become a member. I am glad to  
accept.

The persecution of American citizens of Japanese  
extraction is one of the blackest crimes against our  
country. Putting citizens into "concentration camps"  
without even asking about their loyalty smacks of the  
German dictatorship. This is not only grossly unfair to  
the victims, but may serve as an entering wedge to de-  
prive other minorities of constitutional rights. That is  
precisely the pattern Hitler followed--Jews, Communists,  
Socialists, trade union members, liberals generally,  
and finally every one except his own party.

I inclose my check for two dollars as dues of a  
"general member." I regret the check is not larger, but  
the rising cost of carrying on civilian business and the  
multiplicity of good causes to help make it necessary  
for one to spread out his contributions rather thinly.

I notice my good friend, Mr. Maurice Harrison, is  
chairman of the advisory group. I took two courses from  
him while a student of the University of California law school.

✓  
If your supply is ample, please send me about twenty  
copies of the statement of purpose and program, and of the  
folder you sent me. I can put these in hands where they  
may do some good.

With best wishes for the success of your enterprise, I am

Cordially yours,

LBS.JD

*L. B. Schlingheyde*

COPY OF TELEGRAM 7/4/43

SENATOR SHERIDAN DOWNLEY  
WASHINGTON ,D.C.

Committee on American Principles and Fair Play approves your recommendation to weed out immediately all disloyal Japanese from relocation centers stop We also urge prompt authoritative public statement by WRA and request your committee to see that such a statement is adequately publicized on Pacific Coast.

Ruth W Kingman  
Executive Secretary

Charge to As 6214

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July 4/43

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

I recently learned that I was mistaken in supposing that the organizers of Air Trin. <sup>and</sup> Fair Play Group in the So. Bay Cities had officially reported to you -

As I was elected Secretary I should have reported to you at once - On Tues. June 1<sup>st</sup> one met and elected the following -

Mr. Clarence Lee, Palms Verdes  
Estates Pres. Rev. Carl Crane  
Rudolph Beagle  
Vice Pres., Rev. Jas. Peterson Trust  
Manhattan Beach and  
Mrs. Cora P. Coughlin,  
Palms Verdes Estates Sec.

P. S. If you will inform  
Mr. Lee regarding the  
dues to the Mother  
organization he will  
direct payment of same.

C.

ASN. 39084737

Station Hospital, Ward 19

Camp Grant Ill.

July 4, 1943

Pacific Coast Committee on  
American Principles and Fair Play  
2207 Union Street  
Berkeley, California  
Dear Sir:

I would like to join  
your movement which protects  
our liberties for justice  
and freedom. Being a soldier  
I like to join the movement  
for that we are fighting to protect  
the rights of the men.

Please let me know if  
I could join as a general membership  
or a sustaining membership.

Sincerely yours  
Pfc. John Kewshere

July 5, 1943

Mrs. Marjorie Elkus, Executive Director  
Columbia Foundation  
Russ Building  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Elkus:

Dr. Deutsch has just sent us a copy of your letter, telling of the approval of the Columbia Foundation of our request for funds to support our program for the coming year. In granting us the \$3,900.00 you are making possible what we eagerly hope will be a much more effective program than we could have undertaken without such assistance.

Not only do we wish to express our deep appreciation of your favorable action, but also wish you to know that we recognize the effort you personally must have put into having such an early consideration of our request. I do hope that the time required in preparation of the material for presentation did not cut too deeply into your vacation.

You may assure your Board that we shall make the most careful use of the funds granted, and at the end of the year shall present what we are determined shall be a report which will indicate a wise and profitable expenditure. As I told Dr. Deutsch today, it is heartening to have encouragement when all of one's work is in a field of bitter controversy.

Not only the financial support of the Columbia Foundation is most strengthening. To know that our course, up to this time, has the approval which leads to such support, is even more so.

We shall lend every effort to the development of the kind of program that will continue to merit such approval.

Very sincerely yours;

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 5, 1943

Miss Lillie L. Osborne  
Carnet, Calif.  
c/o Desert Springs

Dear Miss Osborne:

Mrs. Kingman is out of town at present, but she requested that I write and thank you for your suggestions of names in a recent letter.

The Fair Play Committee pamphlets and a statement of the principles and program of the Committee have been sent to the names you mentioned.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

July 5, 1943

Mr. Harold S. Choate  
Relocation Supervisor  
Midland Savin's Building  
Denver 2, Colorado

Dear Mr. Choate:

We will be glad to send you the 135 copies of our pamphlet which you requested in your letter of June 29th.

We are also planning a new release that will be ready shortly, and will send you an equal number of these as soon as they are off the presses.

Sincerely ,

Secretary

mj.

July 5, 1943

Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch  
Administration Bldg.  
University of California

Dear Dr. Deutsch:

There have been many times when I should have thanked you for your fine spirit and cooperation in the work of our Committee. It is good to feel that I have your support in this often unsatisfactory job. Working constantly in such a sharply controversial field is a constant strain, and it is strengthening to feel that I can count on your help.

The news of the approval of our request to the Columbia Foundation is of course, most welcome. I am confident that without your warm support, our "case" would have not been so promptly reviewed and passed upon. May I thank you, most especially for that support, not only for myself, but for the entire Committee, whose work will be immeasurable increased as a result.

I shall write to Mrs. Elkus, at once.

As to Mr. Obata, it does seem that he is getting about fairly well on his own. It is difficult to know just what developments occur in trying to locate people from the centers. Before going any further I shall ask his son Kunio exactly what his father is doing now, and what plans he is able to make at this time.

Thank you again. As I go in and out of town quite often, I frequently neglect to express appreciation as I should of the help I receive from my Board members. However, I am confident that you all understand that I am really not purposely negligent, but merely over-rushed and over-engrossed by my ever growing responsibilities here in the office.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

July 5, 1943

Dr. James A. Blaisdell  
7303 Prospect Place  
La Jolla, Calif.

Dear Dr. Blaisdell:

Before going on to business, my best regards to you and to Mrs. Blaisdell. It was a delightful privilege to meet her.

Due to the usual difficulty of financing such a relatively small movement as ours, we have been unable, until now, to do as much in the South as we would like. However we have finally obtained sufficient maturity that we feel justified in employing a person as executive secretary in Southern California and one in Seattle. This will enlarge our work immeasurably, and should make our influence much wider. We shall certainly ask such a person as soon as he or she has been appointed to talk with you for guidance and cooperation in your part of the county.

Meantime, thank you for both your membership and interest. We need them both, in these trying days. We shall welcome any names of persons you might know in educational, business, labor or religious groups whose leadership and support might be expected to give strength to our Committee as it reaches further out into Southern California.

Very sincerely yours,

Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 5, 1943

Mrs. Alice Holen  
Rt. 1, Box 171  
Fowler, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Holen:

Upon looking over my files to catch up with myself after two rather extended visits to out of town Fair Play groups, I find that I have not marked "reply" on both of your last two. However I am sure that materials have been sent to you answering all of your questions except the one about the \$200,000.000 in credits. If I am not right will you kindly let me know, and I shall rectify the mistake at once. We are finally getting some order here in the main office, thanks to added funds which allow a full time office secretary to keep things going in my absence.

I promise increasing service in the future, and regret having been remiss in the past.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

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RWK

July 5, 1943

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I wonder if you would send me a few notes about the work of your Fair Play Committee I could use in the Miscellany columns of Common Ground in the Autumn issue. I have the little folder you recently put out, but I'd like something more than this. I want to know how the Committee evolved (such accounts give hints for people elsewhere), what it has accomplished, what it hopes to accomplish, what its prospects are, say, against the opposite pressure groups of the Native Sons and the Associated Farmers. I'm convinced those of us who are persons of goodwill have to get together in groups such as yours and make our influence felt.

These notes in no way have to be a finished piece of work-- just informal jottings. If it's easier, put the stuff in a letter as it occurs to you. I'll be most grateful if you or someone else on the Committee can do this. I'd need the material by July 26th at the latest-- earlier if possible.

Cordially yours,

*Margaret Anderson*

Editor

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

JAMES ARNOLD BLAISDELL . . CLAREMONT COLLEGES . . CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

7803 PROSPECT PL., LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA

2/15/43  
RWB

Dear Mrs Kingman:

This small enclosure by no means represents my interest in the cause which you are so generously serving.

Rather I feel that very much more needs to be done

here in So California and  
that I might have a lead  
show me. I am puzzled  
to what can be done.

Is there anything more  
we - can you see?

6/20/43 Sincerely,  
James A. [unclear]

7/5/43  
NY

Garnet, California  
90 Desert Springs.

Mrs Ruth W. Kingman  
2207 Union St. Berkeley, Calif.

My dear Mrs Kingman:

The material from your office was forwarded to me. <sup>from Santa Ana</sup> It was a great encouragement to know some citizens are awake to conditions. I have been depressed over the great activities of American Legion groups, Native Sons and Mayors and police groups. It looks as if Legion groups have gotten their men in key places, as sheriffs etc, just for this movement.

I just wrote a letter to Sheriff, Jesse Elliott of Santa Ana, who is spending much time speaking to Elks, Lions, Navy Mothers, in fact, all service groups against the Japanese Americans. These groups then send in resolutions against return of Japanese to Washington. It is a vicious circle. Mayor Bouron of Los Angeles is on the same propaganda line. I think both are American Legion men.

I recently wrote a letter for the Santa Ana paper. I received some abusive cards, some sincere, but prejudiced letters, which I answered. The cards I ignored. I haven't financial means to give; but I am trying to do everything I can personally.

I am a resident of Santa Ana, but shall  
be away from there for several months.

I think the following names might  
be interested

- ✓ Rev Carl Berger - East 10th St, Santa Ana, Calif.
- ✓ Mrs Ma McFarland - 1808 Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana.
- Miss Vaneck Plumb - Durant St, Santa Ana.
- ✓ Mrs Della W. Halvell - 2424 Oakmont Dr., Santa Ana.
- ✓ Mr John Laycock - (4676 Orange Vista way)  
Riverside, Calif)
- ✓ Dr Allen - Orange County Hospital  
Santa Ana, Calif.
- ✓ Miss Sarah Conant - Cliff Drive, Newport Beach
- ✓ Mrs Harry Kemmerer - 1029 W-6th St,  
Santa Ana, California

Those checked are working with  
F. O. R. groups and are in favour of  
justice for the races.

Alton Hall is a man 70 years old.  
He is trying to help <sup>foreign</sup> Japanese neighbors,  
although he is not telling that openly.  
He sends sample copies of "Common Ground"  
to people asking them to read articles  
in favor of racial equality. His address  
is Rt, Huntington Beach, Calif.

Harold Ginton, P. O. Box 294, Anaheim, Calif  
is <sup>is</sup> commended my letter in the paper, evidently  
<sup>is</sup> interested.  
Am enclosing two dollars for regular  
membership fee. This address is temporary  
but I shall leave a forwarding address here,  
and notify you in several weeks my  
new address.  
(Miss) Lillie L. Osborn (over)

Mr Hoiler Sr. of the (Publisher of the Santa  
Ana Register, Office 6th and Sycamore St.  
Santa Ana.) is very favorable to the  
American Japanese. He has money, is  
very rabid against Labor unions. If  
approached just right in regard to  
your organization he might do something.  
He has been very fair in his paper about  
not head turning quite Japanese things.  
Unfortunately too many ministers, all  
not trying to lead public opinion, they  
are letting the public opinion of their  
congregation be their guide. I have been  
a church minded person always, but  
sincerely feel this lack in many churches.

Handwritten: *OK m*  
11/23/42

Eleanor Breed  
% Int. House Assoc.  
Int. Hous.e  
Berk., Calif.

7-5-42

Dear Miss Breed:

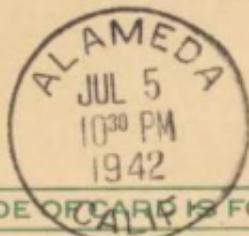
I have the letter sent by your committee on June 27, 1942 and would like to commend you on your fine work. I would be glad to hear of anything that I could do to assist.

Sincerely,

*E. Kramer*  
E. Kramer

*Music Paper*  
*Clair's*

Eugene Kramer  
1820 Nason St.  
Alameda, Calif.



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Eleanor Breed  
% Int. H. Assoc.  
International House  
Berkeley, Cal.

July 6, 1943

Dr. James A. Blaisdell  
7803 Prospect Place  
La Jolla, Calif.

Dear Dr. Blaisdell:

Before going on to business, my best regards to you and to Mrs. Blaisdell. It was a delightful privilege to meet her.

Due to the usual difficulty of financing such a relatively small movement as ours, we have been unable, until now to do as much in the South as we would like. However we have finally obtained sufficient maturity that we feel justified in employing a person as executive secretary in Southern California and one in Seattle. This will enlarge our work immeasurably, and should make our influence much wider. We shall certainly ask such a person as soon as he or she has been appointed, to talk with you for guidance and cooperation in your part of the county.

Meantime, thank you for both your membership and interest. We need them both, in these trying days. We shall welcome any names of persons you might know in educational, business, labor or religious groups whose leadership and support might be expected to give strength to our Committee as it reaches further out into Southern California.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth T. Kingman

RK:mj

July 6, 1943

Mr. Gardiner Johnson  
Balfour Building  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We would like the record of the vote in the legislature on the measures having to do with Anti-Japanese legislation. Will you kindly tell me where I can get it? Quite naturally, our members wish to know how their representatives voted, as well as any who did not vote.

With personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 6, 1943

Dr. Max Radin  
Boalt Hall  
University of California

Dear Max Radin:

It was a surprise to have Harry tell me that you had not received my letter thanking you for your excellent memorandum on Dual Citizenship. I wrote it when in Los Angeles, a couple of weeks ago, and am now disturbed lest other letters, written at the same time have gone astray.

We do thank you, very much, for your kindness in putting into words, what even the most lay of the lay mind, should be able to understand on the subject. We use your memo constantly, and as it covers one of the least understood of the many problems we are trying to clear up in the public mind, we are most grateful for it.

Thank you again, and accept my apology for the unavoidable seeming neglect.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 6, 1943

Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

During your western travel, so we understand, you had occasion to visit one or more of the centers to which Americans of Japanese ancestry have been evacuated from the West Coast.

Undoubtedly you have been impressed with the deep irony, not to say tragedy, of a situation which has forced one race group of our citizens to accept wholesale evacuation and confinement as their peculiar contribution to the winning of this war, even while thousands of their flesh and blood wear honorably the uniform of the Army of the United States. You recognize, as do we, the severe and growing strain which prolongation of this detention places upon the integrity of those American and constitutional principles for which we fight. You appreciate also the jeopardy to wholehearted and international support by people of many races which we require for success in this war. Beyond that, you will see the subtle impairment of that confidence between ourselves and the non-white peoples of the world upon which our children and grandchildren in times to come will be obliged to rest their security.

Many citizens on the Pacific Coast hold these opinions. Some of them have formed this Committee of American Principles and Fair Play the better to express them. We believe that any publicity you may be able to give to these views will be helpful to the cause of the United States.

Sincerely yours,

Paul S. Taylor

BST:mj

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THE NEED FOR 75 COPIES OF THE SMALL FOLDER ON STATEMENT OF  
PRINCIPLES SEND BY AIR MAIL TO WINFIELD SCOTT 822 SOUTH  
ALVARADO STREET LOSANGELES ANY EXPENSE LET ME KNOW=

J E POWER.

OK  
7/6/43  
my  
822.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

San Juan Bautista, Calif.  
July 6/1943

Reply RWK  
2/9/43

Mrs. Ruth Kingman

Room 203

465- California St., San Francisco.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:-

I am enclosing my check for 5<sup>00</sup> to help support your worthy organization.

We correspond with many evacuees in the camps especially in Poston, Ariz and we are in a position to send you certain letters at times as well as from Japanese American soldiers to prove their loyalty to America.

We are also enclosing on a separate sheet the names of many people here in this locality who are sympathetic to this problem. However we do not care to have our names mentioned in the event ~~of~~ <sup>are</sup> personal letters sent them.

Thanking you for sending me any new releases so we can be fully informed at all times, we are,

Very truly yours

Mr & Mrs W. T. Freitas

Box  
31-C R.F.O.

(over)

P.S. I will send in additional names  
as we learn of them.

W.F.

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RUTH W KINGMAN EXC SEC=

ANS NL 4 BERKELEY CALIF=

2207 Union St.

THANKS YOUR WIRE. BE ASSURED AM DOING ALL I CAN ALONG THE  
LINES OF YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS HOPE TO SOON HAVE RESULTS=

SHERIDAN DOWNEY.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, OFFICE  
WHITCOMB HOTEL BUILDING

JUL 6 1943

OK  
8/17/43  
In reply, please refer to:

Transp. Div.

Mrs. Kingman, Little Theatre  
University of California  
2207 Union Street  
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Attached please find Government Bill of Lading  
No. 10TR1-13663-43 to be used for shipment of the Little  
Theatre Costumes which you have so kindly donated to the  
Project at Topaz, Utah.

After the costumes have been prepared for ship-  
ment by marking the name and address of consignee as shown  
on the attached bill of lading, will you please phone the  
Southern Pacific Company to pick it up for forwarding.  
The pick-up driver will then sign all copies of the bill  
of lading. When his receipt has been obtained on all  
copies, you are requested to distribute them as follows:

Original and two (2) memorandum copies to Mr.  
C.F. Ernst, Project Director, Central Utah  
Relocation Center, Topaz, Utah.

Shipping order (salmon colored) to the carrier.

One (1) memorandum copy for your file, if desired.

One (1) memorandum copy to be returned to this  
office.

Yours very truly,

*Hugh W. Hendrick*

Hugh W. Hendrick  
Transportation Officer

Enclosure No. 10794



July 7, 1943

Mr. Lawrence E. Norrie  
715 So. Hope St.  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Larry:

Harry gave me your letter to read, and at his suggestion, I am answering it.

I am afraid that you are right in hesitating to run the risk of a public expression of adverse opinion probably held by many of the local boards. Your suggestions are right in line with the program of the Fair Play Committee, and Harry and I are both thinking that in all probability our office can provide you with much of the material which you will need in following the line you propose.

We have excellent material refuting many inaccurate public statements. We have compiled the results of the considered thinking of a group of men whose integrity is not to be questioned.

Would you think it a good idea to send out into your constituencies a lot of this material? We must naturally have the cost covered, as we have a limited budget.

Just now we are trying to get immediate and wide support for Senator Downey's resolution before the Senate Military Affairs Committee. We will send out several hundred letters on that.

How do you like the enclosed pamphlet? It is in the third printing of 10,000 each. The Pasadena Committee alone is financing the sending out of 10,000.

Can we get together on this?

Love to Thelma. I like that gal.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST AREA COUNCIL OF THE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS  
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AREA OFFICES  
220 GOLDEN GATE AVE., SAN FRANCISCO  
715 SOUTH HOPE STREET, LOS ANGELES - 14

Los Angeles, July 23, 1943

Mrs. Harry L. Kingman,  
Stiles Hall,  
Berkeley, California.

Dear Ruth:

I am a little late in answering your July 7th letter. I have carried it around with me a lot, and have now gotten to the point where I can't live with my conscience any longer unless I answer it.

I should like to have some of the pamphlets which you attached entitled, "Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play". I think we could use them with some of our constituency, particularly our Area Board. We do not have a very wide constituency connected with our Area organization. The local YMCA's do, and we might send these to all general secretaries telling them where they can find additional copies. A hundred and fifty would meet our needs, and we shall be glad indeed to cover the cost. *OK*

I hope I am going to see you both at Lake Tahoe. We are driving up and taking the kid.

Sincerely yours,

*L. E. Norrie*  
Lawrence E. Norrie

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*No cost*



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Los Angeles, California

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July 7, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play,  
Room 203, 465 California Street,  
San Francisco, California.

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

It will interest and satisfy you to know that none of the people to whom I wrote regarding the influence of your little folder agreed with me. Bishop Stevens gave me a small spanking for writing this letter on our letter-head. With my face somewhat red, therefore, I shall ask you to regard the incident as closed.

However, I do find in my files a clipping from the Los Angeles Times of June 8th, which gives the following communication from Fresno: "State Senator Hugh M. Burns said here today that the group which he charged was attempting to obtain the return of interned Japanese to the Pacific Coast area was the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play." People like this will read into any statement favorable to Japanese an attempt to bring the Japanese here now, unless it is definitely stated that the group opposes such a return.

It may interest you to know that Dr. Farnham prepared a report for the Dies Committee under date of June 15th. He stated in that report: "While under the American Constitution, except for marshal law and military requirements, the American-born Japanese probably have legal right to return, we hold that it would be most unwise for them to do so." That puts the Church Federation clearly in opposition to the return now of the Japanese. David Henley, of the Friends Service Committee, also agreed with me yesterday that if we are to be "wise <sup>as</sup> serpents" we would definitely state that we do not favor the return of the Japanese now.

Regarding the Congressional action regarding the Chinese exclusion and similar laws, we shall have to postpone further activities until Congress re-assembles in the fall.

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I congratulate you on the loyal support which you have won from the members of your Committee here in Southern California, *and from me.*

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,  
*George Gleason*  
GEORGE GLEASON

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COMMITTEE FOR AMERICAN UNITY

821 BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING  
111 WEST 7TH STREET  
LOS ANGELES 14, CALIFORNIA  
III 

July 7, 1943

Miss Mary Jefferels  
Secretary  
Committee on American Principles  
and Fair Play  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Jefferels:

Mr. Carey McWilliams has been kind enough to give me your letter to him of June 17th.

I am enclosing a copy of the report made by the Citizens Committee to investigate the causes of the recent race riots in Los Angeles as well as their proposals to cure the situation.

The program of the Committee for American Unity is basically the same as that outlined in the report of the Citizens Committee and I have taken the liberty of adding your name to our mailing list in order to keep you informed of our activities.

Would you be kind enough to send me some information on the work now being done by your Committee?

If there is any further material you would like, please let me know and I will be more than happy to send it to you.

Very sincerely,

*Harry Braverman*  
HARRY BRAVERMAN  
Executive Secretary

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7/18/43.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

This is a very small check, but we  
have wanted to send something for a long  
while and are scarcely able yet to do much.

Best of luck!

Joe Conrad

1830 Sutter St

San Francisco

Calif

THE COMMITTEE FOR  
WORK WITH JAPANESE EVACUEES  
of the  
CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

CLARENCE GILLETT  
Executive Secretary

July 8, 1943

521 East Cook  
Santa Maria, California

Miss Mary Jefferds  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
Room 203  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Jefferds:

Thank you for the material so promptly sent to me here. We are enclosing a check for \$2.30. This covers the \$1.10 for material sent to us at St. Louis, the \$.70 for what you just sent us here and \$.50 in addition for which I would like to have you send twenty five copies of "Statements Regarding Rumors of Sabotage in Hawaii", to me in care of Rev. C. P. Garman, 621 Meck Building Denver, Colorado.

OK/43  
7/14/43

It may be that you have already sent copies of this Statement to various radio commentators but anyway we are now mailing copies to Bill Henry, John B. Hughes, Fleetwood Lawton, Raymond Gram Swing, Gabriel Heatter and H. V. Kaltenborn. Also, at the suggestion of one of our Congregational Press Bureau people I am writing to "Time" and "News Week", a "Letter to the Editors" raising the question as to why inaccuracies regarding Japanese sabotage were included in "Air Force" which, otherwise, was an excellent and effective movie.

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Cordially yours,

Clarence Gillett

Clarence S. Gillett

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reply  
7/29/43  
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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

In reply, please refer to:

TULE LAKE PROJECT  
NEWELL, CALIFORNIA

July 8, 1943

Pacific Coast Committee on American Principle  
and Fair Play  
Executive Secretary  
465 California St.  
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

It has been with a great interest that the people of this project wish to become more familiar with your committee. Though we understand in a general way the splendid cause for which you are working, we can only skim the surface. It has occurred to me that, perhaps, through your visit to our project as our guest speaker we understand your cause more fully, and may be able help the cause in some way; so may I take this privilege to extend you invitation to our project.

If you should be able to visit us, the most convenient time to have you is in the midweek of most any week. However, any other time is fine. Also, it is with regret that I must inform you that the people of the community has not, and will not be able to defray the traveling expense of our guest. Will you take these into consideration in making your decision.

I am most hopeful of hearing favorably from you.

Very truly yours,

*Al Morioka*

Al Morioka, Forensics Chairman  
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SECTION  
TULE LAKE PROJECT  
NEWELL, CALIFORNIA



July 9, 1943

Professor Edward O. Sisson  
P.O. Box 1774  
Carmel, Calif.

Dear Dr. Sisson:

At the suggestion of Dr. Deutsch, we are sending you some material on the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

You will find included a letter which we ordinarily send to prospective members.

After having it drawn up, I decided that we should write a personal note of appreciation of your interest for it is good in these trying days to find persons who feel a concern for our finer American institutions, a concern strong enough to lead them to join our group.

We welcome you and assure you that we shall make every effort to pursue a constructive course.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:nj

July <sup>9</sup>~~15~~, 1943

Mrs. W. T. Freitas  
Box 31-C R.F.D.  
San Juan Bautista, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Freitas:

Thank you very much for your contributing membership (\$5.00) and for the list of names. We shall send them all some material and shall do it with no reference to the source from which their names were sent to us.

As a contributing member, you will be sent future releases.

We shall be happy for any suggestions you have to make, or for any further names.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 9, 1943

Mrs. Cora R. Conklin  
Palos Verdes Estates  
California

Dear Mrs. Conklin:

It was a pleasant surprise to find your letter in the mail this morning, for it is always good to hear from any newly organized group.

In reply to your question about dues, may I refer to Bylaw #24, pertaining to Local or Regional affiliates. Our policy usually covers a mutual agreement as to a set annual quota to be raised by each community for the work of the Headquarters office (printing, personnel, etc.), with the understanding that anything raised in the community over and above that, should go toward the defrayment of local expense. That quota is determined after consultation with the local group. For Palos Verdes, we would suggest a quota of \$200.00 annually, with any membership already sent in to be applied to that sum. If your executive committee feels that the quota is too large, or that it might be increased, will you please let me know?

I am sending you 100 copies of the release we have been sending out this month. We are now sending our 30 thousandth. If your group can use more, kindly let me know.

A new release is in process of being drawn up, and will reach the printer next week.

With an increasing flood of rabble-rousing propaganda flowing all over the West Coast, the more we can do right now, the better for our national unity and security. We welcome a new group of persons interested in that program.

We hope that you can get favorable press comment on your organization, and that your group includes representatives from educational, religious, employer, and labor sources. Such membership is strong, and offers the best backing for such a program as we hope to develop.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 9, 1943

Mr. William O. Carr  
1360 West Colorado St.  
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Mr. Carr:

I hope that the work of the Pasadena Committee isn't going to be too heavily burdened by answering some of the letters that I have had addressed to it. As a bright and shining example of what an affiliate can be, I've asked two or three new groups to get in touch with Pasadena for pointers.

I wonder if you have seen the new pamphlet put out by the government "They must be heard". They are using our "stuff" quotations, etc., but they are excellent. I've asked for 10,000 and will send 1,000 to your group if and when they arrive.

It is wonderful to see the way you are "catching on" to our educational policy. It is doubly reassuring to know that you feel that our policy of holding to such a program, instead of including emphasis upon evacuee welfare, is the best one for our group.

As I wrote you from Los Angeles last month, that work seems to us to belong to church and welfare groups which are equipped to handle it while we are peculiarly suited to the broader program of fact dissemination.

The new release will be out next week and of course you will get it.

I have been inquiring about your friend Mr. Lechner, and while of course a lot of things are said by a lot of people, the only substantiated fact I can pass on just now is that he is the head of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion. His duty seems to be the doing of precisely the

thing you report him as doing. We can just regret that the rank and file of the Legion seems to be susceptible to such a questionable point of view.

With personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

July 9, 1943

Mrs. Maynard F. Thayer  
466 E. California St.  
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Thayer:

The government has just published a statement of Fielder tying up the espionage system with the non-citizen group.

I've asked for 10,000 and will send 1,000 to you if and when they come. If I cannot get them (I'll know in a day or two, we'll mimeograph them for you).

We've sent the Honolulu statements.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

(I am writing to Bishop Grose, an old family friend.)

July 9, 1943

Mr. Frank S. Gaines  
Office of Civilian Defence  
Hotel Whitcomb  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Frank:

This stuff should have been sent before. I'm sorry. This letter from Monroe Deutsch to William B. Munro is a copy of the form letter which we have used for inviting members to the Advisory Board.

Since it was drawn up, several Southern California members have come on; Rabbi Magnin, Bishop Baker, Dr. Munro, Donald Tippet, Judge Scheinman (who has just resigned, upon being commissioned in the Army), A.B. Ruddock, Bishop Stevens, and just lately Mr. A.J. McFadden, head of the Agriculture Committee of the State Chamber of Commerce, and George Hjelte. This last two will be on our new list in hand, out next week.

I am enclosing several things we've put out. Send along what you think best.

We would really like to have Mr. Whittle on our Board.

With best regards,

P.S. May I have Dr. Deutsch's letter for our files?

July 9, 1943

Mr. Richard Tynes  
910 17th St. N.W.  
Room 101  
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Tynes:

May we congratulate your organization for its resolution endorsing the relocation program of the War Relocation Authority, and more particularly for your action in backing up the resolution by welcoming into your membership the loyal Japanese Americans released under the government program.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

Copies sent to: Editor, The Nation (NYC); Editor, The New Republic (NYC); Editor, Chicago Tribune (Ill.); Editor, Washington Post (Wash., D.C.).

July 9, 1943

Editor P.M.  
Box 81  
Times Square Station  
New York City, New York

Dear Sir:

May I call your attention to some of the material sent out by one of our hate campaigners here in California?

It seems to us that this material is hardly a contribution to a united war effort.

Our own stand is to be found in the enclosed statement of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

We would appreciate an opinion on each, according to their merits.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

Copies sent to: Elbert D. Thomas; Edwin C. Johnson;  
Lister Hill; Sheridan Downey; Albert  
B. Chandler; Harry S. Truman; Mon C.  
Wallgren; Harley M. Kilgore; James E.  
Murray; Joseph C. O'Mahoney; Warren  
R. Austin; Styles Bridges; Chas Gurney;  
Rufus C. Holman; Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.;  
Chapman Revercomb; George Wilson.

July 10, 1943

The Honorable Robert R. Reynolds  
Senate Military Affairs Committee  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Knowing your conscientious desire to shape  
federal action so that it will make the utmost  
contribution to the nation during the present  
emergency, we venture to call the enclosed  
folder to your close attention. The policies it  
advocates are non-partisan and grounded in the  
Constitution.

Signed:

ROBERT GORDON SPROUL

MAURICE E. HARRISON

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Executive Secretary

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COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

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July 13, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Executive Secretary  
Pacific Coast Committee on American  
Principles and Fair Play  
Room 203  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

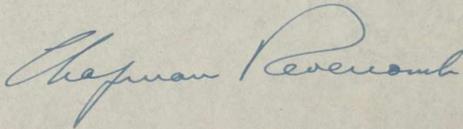
This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 10th, in which you sent me a pamphlet setting forth certain policies which have been endorsed by your Committee, which policies you suggest be followed by the Federal Government in connection with persons of Japanese ancestry, as set forth therein.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending a copy of the above mentioned pamphlet to me, and you may be assured I shall give the suggestions of your Committee, as expressed by you, my earnest consideration.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

R/smb



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July 15, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Executive Secretary  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
Room 203, 465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for your letter of July 10  
and for the enclosed folder stating government  
policies which your committee endorses. I appreciate  
your making this available to me.

Sincerely yours,

*H. C. Lodge, Jr.*  
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July 16, 1943

*H. D.*

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Committee on American Principles  
and Fair Play  
Room 203, 465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

In the absence of Senator Downey who has returned to California to continue his duties as Chairman of the Subcommittee of Military Affairs to investigate labor and industrial conditions, please permit me to reply to your letter of July 10.

For your interest I am enclosing a copy of the Resolution introduced by Senator Downey. I shall refer your letter and pamphlet to the Senator upon his return, and please be assured that he is most anxious that action be taken along the lines you suggest.

Sincerely,

*Barbara Mullens*  
Barbara Mullens  
Staff of

Senator Sheridan Downey

/bmm

July 10, 1943

The Bill Room  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, Calif.

Sirs:

Would you please send the Daily Journals  
for the days listed below to Mrs. Ruth Kingman,  
2234 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley, Calif.

Thank you very much.

March 23  
April 5, 10, 16, 19, 21, 22, 28  
May 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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reply  
7/14/43  
RWK

Mr.

MARY WILHELMINE WILLIAMS  
752 GUINDA STREET  
PALO ALTO, CAL.

July 12, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,  
2207 Union Street,  
Berkeley, Cal.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Will you please inform me as to what the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play is doing to combat the new outburst of propaganda against the American Japanese. I joined the Committee several months ago but have received no word since of any activity in which it has engaged to carry out the principles for which it stands.

Naturally, I wish to cooperate in carrying out the program of the Committee.

I should greatly appreciate a reply this week, since I wish to mention the Committee's activities at the meeting of an organization which is interested in justice and democracy for all.

Very sincerely,  
*Mary Wilhelmine Williams*  
Emeritus Professor of History,  
Goucher College.

July 14, 1943

Dr. Mary W. Williams  
753 Guinda St.  
Palo Alto, Calif.

Dear Dr. Williams:

We were glad to receive your letter this afternoon, expressing your continuing interest in the work of our Committee. I am very glad to tell you some of the things we have done but many of our activities are among the "intangibles", whose influence is strong but hard to define. I refer to the many conferences and contacts with key persons upon whose understanding and action final decisions are made, and much of our correspondence.

We are, very specifically, collecting a valuable selection of statements from persons in authority which support our present position. By means of careful use of these statements we feel that we have been able to do much to temper the wave of hysteria on the West Coast. Naturally, the press (most of it) has gone along on the crest of the wave, but one of the things we are trying to do, quite successfully, is to draw the attention of people in strategic positions, to the fact that justice and democracy are of national interest, and the solution of our American Japanese problem must be a national solution, not sectional.

May we call your attention to a broadcast over NBC on Sunday, July 18, at 4:30 p.m. of the Town Hall of the Air? This whole problem is to be discussed, and we are hoping that large numbers of listeners will write in to Town Hall, following the program.

You have probably received a copy of the enclosed pamphlet. We have sent out over 20,000 of these, and are now mailing out the next 10,000. We have also sent 10,000 reprints of the Harper's article of June. These have been sent not to members, but to persons outside our membership, whom we feel might be interested. A new release is being sent out within a week, including a short resume of some of the things already done, to be sent to members only.

With limited office personnel, it is impossible to keep all of our members informed of our activities. Some method should certainly be worked out which would make this practicable. We shall work it in as soon as we possible can, for we do want

all of our members to feel a real part in the thing  
we are all trying to do.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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Reply  
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WJ

Mrs. Walter Van Dyke

514 North Cherokee Avenue - Los Angeles, California

July 12- '43

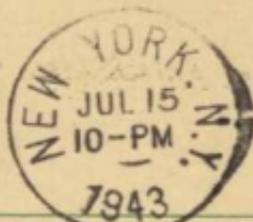
Pacific Coast Committee on American  
Principles & Fair Play -

I understand that  
you have a pamphlet  
dealing with the problems of  
the Japanese and the  
Government's Retraction policies.

I would appreciate receiving  
a copy of this pamphlet  
at your convenience.

Sincerely

Henry Van Dyke



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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

~~Room 203~~

~~465 California Street~~

~~San Francisco, California.~~

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July 15, 1943.

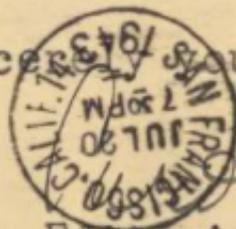
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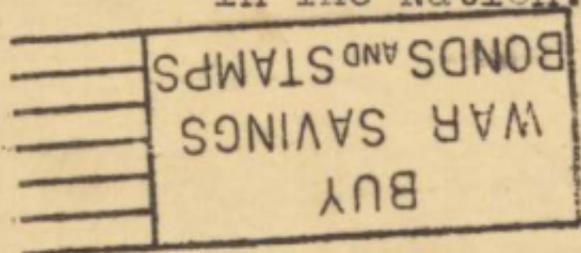
Dear Mrs. Kingman:

In Miss Kirchwey's absence from the office I want to thank you for your letter of July 9 and enclosures. I know that she will look over the material with interest and with a view to possible editorial comment in The Nation.

Sincerely yours,



Lucie Whiting  
Editorial Secretary.



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In reply, please refer to:  
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Mrs. Ruth Kingman  
2207 Union Street  
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

We are enclosing a copy of a letter recently received from the Hollywood Democratic Committee which expresses sympathy and understanding for our cause.

I thought you would be interested.

Sincerely yours,

*Philip J. Webster*  
(per. H. B.)

Philip J. Webster  
Acting Field Assistant Director

Enclosure



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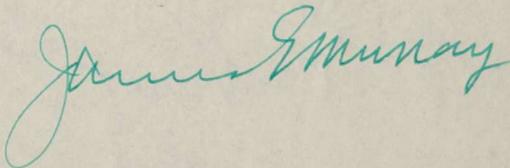
July 13, 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, Executive Secretary  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
Rm. 203, 465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for your letter of July 10 enclosing the  
resolutions of the Committee on American Principles and Fair  
Play.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James E. Murray". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
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July 13, 1943

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Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Committee on American Principles  
and Fair Play  
Room 203  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I have received your letter  
of July 5 addressed to Mr. Baldwin  
who is away on vacation at the present  
time. It will be brought to his atten-  
tion as soon as he returns.

Sincerely yours,

*Clifford Forster*  
Clifford Forster  
Staff Counsel

CF:SH

July 14, 1943

Mr. Dillon S. Myer, Director  
War Relocation Authority  
Barr Building,  
Washington D.C

Dear Mr. Myer:

May I call your attention to the enclosed pamphlet put out by the Southern California Produce Growers' Association? I feel that the names appearing as Sponsoring Agencies will be of interest to you, particularly the Los Angeles County Agricultural War Board, which I understand is under the direction of the United States Department of Agriculture. Perhaps you might like to call Mr. Wickard's attention to this rather peculiar association of interests.

With personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

P.S. I have called Dr. Sproul's attention to the sponsorship of this group by the Agricultural Extension service, University of California, and thus far he has been unable to trace any authority for it.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

JUL 23 1943

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
Room 203, 465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for your letter of July 14, with its enclosed pamphlet published by the Southern California Produce Growers Association.

This has been called to the attention of Mr. Gus Geissler of the Western Division of AAA and also to the attention of Mr. Reuben Brigham of the Federal Extension Service. Both of these gentlemen have agreed to investigate the situation as it involves their respective agencies.

We appreciate your calling this to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

*S. M. Rowell*

Acting Director



July 14, 1943

Mrs. Nina E. Bancroft  
Walnut Creek  
California

Dear Mrs. Bancroft:

Thank you again for your fine support. We regret that your name was "disarranged". If it had been handled through this office it would not have happened. As it was, Mr. Scott's Secretary, who handles all of the finances, and who is not acquainted with our membership, made the error. It will not happen again.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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Jerome Relocation Center  
Denson, Arkansas  
July 14, 1943

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Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Because of your generous recommendations, Mr. Everett L. Dakan, Relocation Officer at Columbus, Ohio, has been kind enough to communicate with me regarding work opportunities in the Ohio area. Thank you, Mrs. Kingman, for your continued interest.

I have answered Mr. Dakan's letter today, and, followed his suggestion about filing an application for employment with the Cleveland WRA office.

Last month, after declining a situation offered through the American Friends Service Committee of Chicago, I came to the conclusion that, perhaps, it would be more advisable to seek placement through the WRA channels. Accordingly, in the latter part of June, I cancelled my application filed with the American Friends, and just two weeks ago contacted the Detroit, Michigan WRA office about jobs out there. No answer has been received as yet, but there appears to be a sufficiency of evacuee workers in that area at the present time, so it may be some time before I hear from them.

Now that, through your good office, Mr. Dakan has promised to keep me in mind, I feel almost confident about relocating within a month or two. Mr. Dakan informs me that the offer about which he wrote you--a position at the First Congregational Church of Columbus--has been postponed for the time being. But he conveyed his belief that there are possibilities of additions being made to the WRA staff, and encouraged me along that line: hence my application to Mr. Harold S. Fistere, Relocation Supervisor at Cleveland.

However the outcome, please accept my deep gratitude for all you have done. Your sincere interest and encouragement inspires me. I hope that my work will support your trust.

My family joins me in wishing you well. Please extend our very best regards to Mr. Kingman.

Very truly yours,

*Alice Takeuchi*  
Alice Takeuchi

163 Martin Avenue  
Palo Alto, California  
July 15, 1943.

reply -  
7/20/43 NY

Committee on Fair Play  
461 California ~~St.~~  
San Francisco, California

Dear Sirs,

A member of the State College of Agriculture told my husband early in July that anti-Japanese and anti-negro feeling is so strong in the Sacramento Valley that "a new Vigilante organization" is being formed called Home Front Commandos, which is anti-Japanese, anti-negro, and "for a white California".

I do not know, personally, that this is so, and possibly you already know all about it, but this situation sounds to me so dangerous that I am writing you in the hope that you can look into the matter, and if it is true, call it to the attention of authorities or groups in that region who can work to counteract it.

Sincerely yours,

*Helene Dwight Fisher*

(Mrs. H. H. Fisher)

July 20, 1943

Mrs. H.H. Fisher  
163 Martin Ave.  
Palo Alto, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Fisher:

Enclosed you will find evidence of the "new Vigilante organization" you mentioned in your letter of July 15th.

We have drawn the existence of the organization to the attention of the FBI, the WRA, and the state Attorney General Kenney.

Thank you very much for telling us of this group.

Sincerely,

Secretary

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July 16, 1943

Mr. William C. Burton  
989 So. El Molino Ave.  
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Mr. Burton:

In your letter of July 12th you enclosed a check for \$67.00. There has been some confusion arising from the fact that the total of the amounts indicated on the cards you enclosed is only \$53.00.

Would you please communicate with me at your earliest convenience regarding the \$14.00 difference, so that our records may be complete.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely

Secretary

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