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October 18, 1950

Edward N. Barnhart
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Dear Mr. Barnhart:

After reading your letter and
talking to some of the attorneys, the general
opinion is that the Grand Juries do not pass
resolutions of this nature.

The following Oregon Law Review articles may be
of interest to you: Vol 24 page 208 and Vol. 22
page 46.

Very truly yours,

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October 20, 1950

Mr. Edward N. Barnhart
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Berkeley 4, California

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your letter of the 17th instant, please be advised that there is no record of the attorney general of Oregon having issued any statement during December, 1941, or at any time thereafter during world war II, with reference to the dangers of enemy alien population. I believe that the evacuation order of the Army, which was issued along about that time, was all that caused any concern or for people to rally to its enforcement.

Very truly yours,

George Neuner
Attorney General

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DOUGLAS MCKAY
GOVERNOR

STATE OF OREGON
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
SALEM

October 30, 1950

Professor Edward N. Barnhart
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University of California
424 Wheeler Hall
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Professor Barnhart:

Upon receipt of your letter of October 17th, I requested that a thorough search be made of the records of the State Defense Council and I am informed that there was no proclamation issued by the Governor during January or February, 1942 pertaining to the registration of enemy aliens, or the prohibition of use of fire arms, or cameras, or excluding of such enemy aliens from defense areas. The only proclamation bearing on these matters was that issued by Lieutenant General DeWitt, Commanding General, Western Defense Command.

The Oregon State Defense Council was created in June, 1941 by Governor Charles Sprague and this Council functioned until its final termination on December 31, 1945. Such Council did not make any public statements during January and February, 1942 with regard to the dangers in the presence of enemy aliens or the desirability of their evacuation.

In answer to the question contained in paragraph two of your letter, the Oregon State Board of Control did not at any time take any action calling to the suspension or discharge of state employes of Japanese ancestry. Possibly there were none employed at that time.

I trust that the above information will be helpful to you.

Very truly yours,

Governor

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EARL T. NEWBRY

SECRETARY OF STATE

SALEM, OREGON

Nov. 22, 1950

Mr. Edward N. Barnhart
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University of California
424 Wheeler Hall
Berkeley 4, Calif.

Dear Mr. Barnhart:

In reply to your letter of November 15th, no public statement was issued by the Secretary of State for Oregon in 1942 regarding the desirability of evacuating Japanese enemy aliens or Japanese Americans from the state to prevent fifth column activities.

Yours very truly,

Earl T. Newbry
Secretary of State

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1. Jap every production would be hit.
2. Hard question to answer whether loyal or not "Some are" loyal to Japan

[combined statement but no decided antipathy
includes most Japs (alien & not) are OK.

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Oregon Grand
Juries

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Earl T. Henry
Sec of F
Tillamook

No indication of any Oregon or Washington county grand
juries passing evacuation resolutions.

Would have to write to County Clerks.

C.4 Oregon officials and agencies

Attorney-general did not make a
statement (1)

(1) "no record of atty-genl of Oregon having issued any
statement... with reference to dangers of enemy
alien evacuation." George Henner, atty Genl.
Oct 20, 1950

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Gov. did not make a
st re enemy aliens

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no Gov filed
for Board of Control.