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810 South Flower St.,  
Los Angeles, California  
January 20, 1942

Hon. Leland Ford,  
Member of Congress,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Leland:

I noticed in this morning's Times, also in the Examiner, that you stated on the floor of Congress that something should be done about moving the Japanese inland from the Pacific Shore. The Examiner gave your remarks an extensive write-up. Your words were well chosen and I am hopeful they will be productive of results.

In this morning's dispatches from Malay, it is stated that the Japanese have been infiltrating behind the British lines by coming ashore at various points and slipping into the jungle through various rubber plantations. The article states that the plantations where these Japanese soldiers are landing are all plantations which have been owned and operated for years by Japanese, and the writer of the dispatch says that these local Japanese planters have no doubt provided the Japanese Army in advance with complete information as to their plantations and how to pass through the plantations in case of war.

~~We have every reason to believe that Japanese farmers along the Pacific Coast have given valuable military information to the Japanese Empire.~~ There is no reason to believe that the Japanese in California are any different from Japanese anywhere else. To let these men continue to sit and farm vegetable lands along our seashore while at the same time we are planting guns on the nearby mounds to defend our seashore, seems unbelievable.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) LE ROY

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DR HENRY B HAZARD

DEPT IMMIGRATION WASHDC

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE SANFRANCISCO URGES FEDERAL PLAN FOR  
PROTECTION OF PACIFIC COAST JAPANESE LOCAL COMMUNITIES  
NOW TAKING UNCOORDINATED ACTION WITHOUT LONG RANGE COM-  
PREHENSIVE PLANNING IN THE INTEREST OF OUR GENERAL WELFARE MOMENTUM  
OF DISCRIMINATION GATHERING FAST IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED  
OFFER OUR FULL COOPERATION CAN YOU INTERRUPT SITUATION TO ATTORNEY  
GENERAL

ANNIE CLO WATSON EXECUTIVE SECY 187XXX 1860 WASHINGTON

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4210 Nescho Ave., Venice Calif.  
Jan. 31, 1942

Mr. Edward J. Ennis,  
Director Alien Enemy Control Unit,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of our defense unit here in Venice a few days ago, I mentioned that I thought it would be a good idea to start some sugar-beet farms and use the interned aliens to do the work.

Everybody there seemed to approve the plan, and Mr. Pollich, Principal of the Venice High School, suggested that I see Mr. Fleet Palmer, Federal District Attorney here in Los Angeles.

I had an interview with him this and he advised me to write to you. I thought the idea a good one.

Here is the set up as I have figured it: -  
A piece of land with plenty of water is rented (say fifty acres) within 25 or 30 miles of the local internment camp. This land with proper care will produce one thousand tons of beets. At 14% sugar content the sugar yield would amount to 280 pounds per ton. At \$6.00 (six dollars) retail price per hundred, the entire crop would amount to \$16,800.

Sugar factories usually pay per ton, <sup>for beets</sup> whatever

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re growing of sugar beets



the sugar ~~retails~~ for per hundred.

This would leave the growers \$6000<sup>00</sup> for their crop and of course the Expenses would have to come out of that, but the land would produce \$120<sup>00</sup> per acre. I know of quite a lot of land that is lying idle.

My main object is to have more sugar for national use.

Please give this your attention as early as convenient, as we can start planting any time here, if the plan is approved.

Yours truly,  
A. H. Neal

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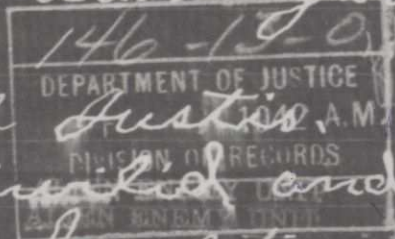
333 Broadway

Mr. Gilman

Toledo Ohio 2/3 1942

The Hon Chief Justice  
of the U S Washington  
D.C.

Dear Chief Justice  
I am an invalid and  
an American born citizen  
I contracted Sugar diabetes  
and have lost both of my  
legs and live in a wheel  
chair have spent over  
twenty six months in  
hospitals, before contra  
cting the disease I was  
very active up to my  
misfortune, I was in a  
hospital when the Dies  
Community was instituted  
I read a ...



wheel letter  
5 pages!



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as much as possible  
getting to the point  
I went to California  
in the early nineties  
spent about twenty years  
and was in public  
business and met all  
nationalities and prided  
myself in studying per-  
sonality and human  
nature. I had come in  
contact with hundreds  
of Japs and I was not  
long in making up  
my mind that ever  
Jap was a spy of all  
the nations that come  
to the U.S. The Japs  
was the first to take  
up our customs in  
every way. it was their  
business to get in

<sup>3</sup> public places for jobs  
and would work for  
~~that~~ pay of any one all  
were well dressed I remember  
my first trip to Sacra-  
mento you never seen a  
white man or woman  
working in a hotel or  
restaurant all Japs.  
Even Jap chamber  
maids no Jap ever come  
to this country broke. Just  
one instance one Jap  
was doing porter work in  
a saloon his pay was  
\$1.00 per day he ask  
me to figure out comp  
and intrest he gave  
me his bank book  
and a letter from his  
bank intrest and  
his deposits was \$27000.



ly are the most  
Cunning and unredi-  
cable, of any class  
living. I could write  
a five hundred page  
concerning them the  
object of this letter is  
to constrate Ever Japs  
not less than 3-00 miles  
from any Coastal water  
I suggest the Utah  
Desert for the Pacific  
Coast no suggestion from  
the Atlantic, another  
thing the Japs know  
more about our mil-  
itary secrets than  
Germany or any other  
nation. I am a distant  
relative of Allen &  
Thurman sincerely  
Wayne Thurman  
Toledo, Ohio

P.S.  
when I was in Calif  
all the Jap women  
were in sporting  
houses they should  
not be ever looked  
Even the native  
born up to sixt  
een yrs a Jap is  
a Jap the only  
one you can trust  
is a dead one. I  
wish it had been

possible for me to  
have written a type  
written letter this  
has been on my mind  
for four yrs it  
worried me because  
the lies community  
never mentioned them



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Grand Junction, Colo.  
1460 North 15th, St.

*Justice*  
Mr. Steven T. Early  
Washington, D.C.

Feb. 3, 1942

W. H. Payne

Assistant Secretary to the President

5K Dear sir:-

I take this opportunity  
writing you, to be passed  
on to the President of our  
United States, the best &  
most efficient man who  
ever put a foot into the  
white House. These are my  
sentiments about him &  
Cordell Hull & a few more  
in Washington, but to get  
to the true facts of my  
story I shall go into details  
regarding same; This Jap  
situation has gotten under  
everyones skin, more or less,  
but to think that our **(B)**  
Country's best minds  
especially made laws, to

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permit these "yellow Apes"  
 who are born in our country  
 to become full fledged  
 citizens is more than I  
 can swallow. They are as  
 big a menace to this <sup>country</sup> ~~country~~  
 as any Jap in Tokyo; in  
 fact, it is plainly seen  
 & known by many of us,  
 that every Jap in this country,  
 regardless of his birth, has  
 his orders from Tokyo, what  
 to do, "if & when Jap invasion  
 starts" in this country of ours.  
 & each & every one of them  
 believes they are destined to  
 take full & complete command  
 of our country by ~~their~~ <sup>show</sup> force.  
 & I mean no exception for  
 any one of them, even those  
 in services of Army & Navy.  
 We must still remember

France fell in a very  
similiar manner. Yet  
we are lulled to sleep by  
pretty speeches by  
Lingberg's & Wheeler's &  
made to believe that it  
can't happen to us, when  
in fact, if we the public  
believe a word they say,  
then all concerned should  
have their heads examined.

We have grown too  
civilized & too soft & we  
can't combat fire with  
sweet words & gasoline, so  
I, as well as many others  
here in Colorado, believe the  
only true way to cope with  
the present situation, is to  
repeal that law which  
allows <sup>themselves</sup> ~~any~~ to become a  
citizen & either put them in



Incidentally, both Editors of clippings  
are "dye'd in the wool" "Republicans!"

detention camps, or  
best yet, set them a drift  
on very glimsy barges in  
the Pacific south west.

This may sound too  
barbarious to most of our  
better minds, but if we  
should fall into the hands  
of the Japs, they would  
find much more drastic  
punishment <sup>for us</sup> than the above.

I'm inclosing two clippings,  
the small one, from Liberty  
<sup>2-7-42 Vox Pop.</sup> Magazine; which is propaganda  
by the Jap, or the Editor of  
Magazine, in either case, its  
poison stuff which leads a  
lot of our people to believe  
the Japs here are 100%.

The other, clipping from the  
"Daily Sentinel", local paper here,  
giving the same kind of over

● publicity to a ● <sup>5</sup> high-school student, which is like trying to teach a hardend bank-robbin a Sunday school lesson.

I was in <sup>army</sup> World War #1, & made speeches trying to convince our people to <sup>keep</sup> ~~put~~ <sup>↑</sup> the Germans under Army Occupation at the conclusion of the war, <sup>then</sup> <sup>↑</sup> but again, we were too soft & too civilized.

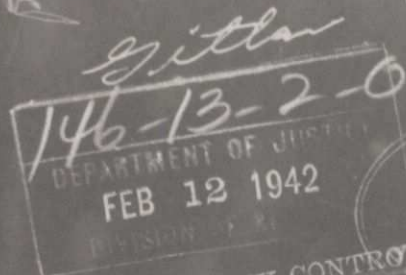
Had we done that then we would only had one war on our hands & no doubt it would be prolonged by 15 or 20 years. If the laws aren't changed to throw those japs out of here, then the old laws of the west may be revised again to take care of them here.

I'm ready, as a red blooded, ex-soldier & ex-policeman, to go the limit, to exterminate the entire "tribe" both here & elsewhere. Very truly yours,  
A. B. Calloway.

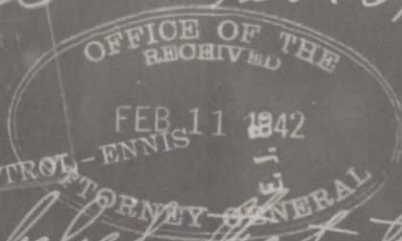




War Dept;



Berkeley Calif.  
Feb. 3, 42



1 It is my belief that the hills and mountains of our country are filled with Japs who are prepared to do us harm at the opportune moment.

2 For 25 years they have prepared and I dare say are well prepared. 3 Don't there some way you can locate these fortifications. 4 Is there an instrument that can direct you to these locations.

5 Also my belief is that the planes we are loosing is due to rays that paralyze a pilot and cripple instruments then false information is given on radio to misdirect the pilot, smoke screens placed around mountain peaks and the pilot crashes into side of mountain, this leaving

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no evidence behind. <sup>6</sup> Put every Jap in  
a concentration camp, none are to be trusted.  
<sup>7</sup> We're at war, someone has to suffer should  
it be an American.

<sup>8</sup> There is no way you can test the  
loyalty of a person by mere questions. <sup>9</sup> It's  
too late to wash time. <sup>10</sup> It'll be our neck  
or theirs eventually. <sup>11</sup> They are prepared, I  
haven't a single weapon in my home to de-  
fend myself and family with.

<sup>12</sup> In the Longfellow school of Berkeley a  
little Jap fellow proudly announced one day  
my country has already taken the Philippines.  
<sup>13</sup> Wake up, put them on level ground far  
inland where they can be watched, and even  
then you'll have plenty trouble.

<sup>14</sup> Put American men on the farms and  
to watch our drinking water or one day we'll  
be poisoned. <sup>15</sup> Whatever you do - do in silence  
don't give them advance notice.

A woman and mother.







Copy

WILLIAM BITTLE WELLS  
Special Representative  
New York Life Insurance Co.  
Public Service Building  
Portland, Oregon

February 9, 1942

The Honorable Henry L. Stimson,  
Secretary of War,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

1 Your form letter in answer to mine regarding suitable punishment for General Short and Admiral Kimmel was received today. 2 It looks, after all, as if these near traitors are to be let off with a gentle slap on the wrist. 3 Probably they will be permitted to retire with a big pension, and enjoy the fruits of their near-traitorous actions. 4 If so, the War and Navy Departments are going to lose the confidence of the American people, and our morale will be seriously impaired. 5 But maybe that is what is wanted by some.

6 Now we are facing on the Pacific Coast a similar situation as the one that faced Pearl Harbor. 7 But the possibilities here on the Coast are infinitely worse. 8 When we know that the treacherous Japanese are not to be trusted in any way whatsoever, we are still so damnably soft and foolish as to go our fool way with our heads in the skies and treading a primrose path of idiocy. 9 It is positively unbelievable, and if we continue this contemptible way we richly deserve to be beaten, as we undoubtedly will be if this sort of thing is kept up.

10 You people in the effete East have no conception of the unreliability of the Japanese or how great liars they are. 11 In treachery they are in a class wholly by themselves, and not one of them--alien or pseudo citizen--should be permitted within 500 miles of the coast line of the Pacific.

12 If some action is not taken immediately in this pressing matter, there is going to be a shock to the American people that they will not get over for a long time to come; this, if the Japanese run true to form, as I believe they will. 13 The warning has been made, and we are doing practically nothing about it. 14 Asking them to register--FORSOOTH. 15 What softness, what folly is this gently slap on the wrist when our house is on fire and our lives are threatened. 16 What in the name of all that is sensible is the matter with the American people? 17 Something is radically wrong somewhere. 2-0

Very truly yours,

William Bittle WELLS  
/s/ Senior Nylie  
Senior Nylie

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February 10, 1942

Honorable Claude Pepper  
U. S. Senator  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator:

I am absolutely in accord with what is contained in the inclosed, from the pen of Henry McLeMore.

We people in southern Florida, particularly in Miami and Key West, are at the crossroads of travel, and I have heard many criticisms of the Administration for the manner in which they are handling this Japanese California situation.

Hasn't Congress got the "guts" to enact legislation segregating these treacherous varmints in the interior of the country? That goes for all of them--naturalized American citizens, etc. I will admit that there are some loyal Japanese citizens, but they are few and far between, and while segregation might create a hardship on a small percentage of them, yet the vast majority would be put out of harm's way, and that is more important to us as a nation than the interests of a few individuals who might be what may be termed "outrageously" treated.

Why don't you introduce this legislation? It will add still further to the prestige of your standing in the Senate. Haven't you a picture of Americans who have been in Japan for years being permitted to run around loose in any of their large cities? Without knowing, of course, I am willing to wager if any of them are in Japan, they are confined to their quarters and not permitted to roam elsewhere as their nationals do in this country. McLeMore has very pertinently stated, "This does not make sense."

The sooner we realize we are up against a harder proposition than we have ever been called on to face heretofore, the sooner we will solve the grave problems we now have confronting us. Appropriating and spending money like drunken sailors will not win the war. Supplementing the above requires effort intelligently directed, which at times

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Honorable Claude Pepper

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February 10, 1942

we feel is so little in evidence.

My friends in the Navy for the past twenty-five years have repeatedly told me that sooner or later we would have to fight Japan. Those individuals were considered alarmists and laughed at, and on the surface little or no attention was paid to them. We know now what has happened. They are the most treacherous animals on the face of the earth, so why give their breed any consideration when they are located elsewhere than in their own country.

See if you can't put a little backbone in the vertebrae of your colleagues and give these vermin the treatment they deserve.

I know you will understand why I am writing you.

Faithfully yours,

Wm. R. Porter

WRP:W  
Enclosure



Hazel C. Hartman, A.I.D.  
Interiors - Antiques  
701 North La Cienega Boulevard  
Los Angeles, Calif.  
CRestview 6-3979

Mr. Stephen Early  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a clipping from this morning's Los Angeles Times which, I think, should be brought to Mr. Roosevelt's attention. I am one of the many residents of California who entirely agree with Mr. McLeMORE's views, and think that it would be greatly to the advantage of the entire country if this great menace of all Japanese including American born Japanese who, it is well known in circles out here, are still loyal to Japan, and all other enemy aliens be moved to some area in Nevada or Montana or thereabouts where they can do no harm.

The length of time that has been given the enemy aliens to get out of their present residences is, in the opinion of the communities of California, ridiculous. They should be evacuated immediately.

Hoping that this reaches the attention of someone who can bring some immediate action, I am

Yours truly,

*Hazel C. Hartman*

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RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED  
FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT  
AND CONSIDERATION

*W. M. C. Byrne*

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C O P Y

February 16, 1942

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SENATOR W LEE ODANIEL

WASHINGTON DC

AS ONE OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS I URGENTLY REQUEST THE REMOVAL  
AND INTERNMENT OF ALL ALIENS FROM THE PACIFIC COAST AT ONCE  
TO AVOID ANOTHER PEARL HARBOR AND TO SAVE OUR COUNTRY

DR J S CUNNINGHAM 2418 TRAVIS STREET HOUSTON





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PIXLEY CALIF  
FEB 17, 1942

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Tulare County

THOMAS C CLARK  
COORDINATOR OF ENEMY ALIEN CONTROL  
CARE RICHARD NEUSTADT  
SSB SF

PRACTICALLY ENTIRE POPULATION TULARE COUNTY HIGHLY AROUSED  
OVER MENACE OF PRESENCE OF ENEMY ALIENS IN COUNTY. PRODUCTS  
OF COUNTY ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO WAR EFFORTS AND MUST NOT BE  
MENACED BY THEIR PRESENCE. DANGER OF SABOTAGE TO FOREST AREAS  
AND OTHER CROP SECTIONS CANNOT BE MINIMIZED. PRESENCE ELECTRIC  
FACILITIES FOR METROPOLITAN AREAS WHICH PASS THROUGH COUNTY  
CANNOT BE OVERLOOKED. WE DEFINITELY ARE ON RECORD THAT WE WANT  
ALL ENEMY ALIENS REMOVED FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SAID  
REMOVAL TO INCLUDE ALL OF THE JAPANESE RACE. WE PROTEST MOST  
EMPHATICALLY AGAINST THE BRINGING INTO TULARE COUNTY OF ANY  
EVACUATED ENEMY ALIEN OR MEMBERS OF THE JAPANESE RACE

GEO F SIMERAL MRS LLOYD WORLEY MISS MARY SOARES  
MR HOMER HOCHULI MRS MARY HOCHULI ANITA DELIA  
ROSE JACKSON MAUDE SPEROW DENNIS J CURRAN C A  
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MRS E M CONLEE MAUDE E SPANI GERTRUDE SLOWEY  
WILLIAM H SLOWEY E M CONLEE GLADYS E PARSONS  
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W H STULZ PAUL E WALTERS FRANK B MIDGLEY W J SNOWDER



February 17, 1942

Honorable Alben W. Barkley,  
United States Senator,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Barkley:

Having written you once on the subject I must ask for your kind consideration in troubling you further to the absolute necessity for interning all Japanese on this Coast, and in the country at large. That they are dangerous to an extreme degree cannot be doubted, if we regard past actions as indicative of what the future may bring forth. That they have cached arms in numerous places is fairly well known, but only small supplies for individual use have so far been discovered. If some American born Japanese are inconvenienced, allowing that some few may be loyal, a fact to be strongly doubted, they should not object to any measure considered essential for the safety of this country. Some of our American born Japs have already been shown up for what they all really are, potential workers for Japanese victory. We must not hesitate longer, too frightfully dangerous, as numerous as they are, and all well drilled, believe it or not.

There are fairly numerous groups, largely religious organizations, protesting against any proposal to segregate Japs, especially intern them.

Others are introducing a more personal note, such as the necessity for Japs working their vegetable gardens, and similar idiotic arguments. It would be well if the FBI looked over some of these protesting individuals very carefully, with a survey of each one's background.

Because of your great influence as Senate Leader any action requested by you would receive far more than ordinary attention. Please act in time.

Pardon my insistence but time is the key note.

I am, Sir,  
sincerely yours,

E. A. Wakefield.  
American Foreign Service Officer, Retired.

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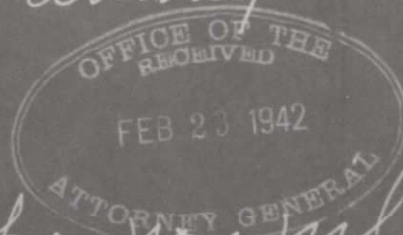
Anaheim Calif

United States Dist Attorney

2/17/42

Was. D. C.

Dear Sir:-



I hope you will get all  
appeasement out of your system  
for the Japs both american born  
and foreign and get them far back  
from all costal areas. There is nothing  
vindicative about my desire. But my  
boy is a fine upright specimen of  
manhood out there on the ocean fighting  
for this our country for over 300 years +  
is absolutely innocent of wrong to Japan  
or Japanese. I hope you won't let us down.

Sincerely yours WOOD,

H.B. Wood.

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LUMBER DEPARTMENT  
R. R. FORBES, MANAGER

February 20, 1942

The Honorable Arthur Capper,  
United States Senator from Kansas  
Senate Chamber,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Capper:

- 1 I am a son of D. H. Forbes, hardware dealer of Topeka, Kansas, now deceased. 2 You may be able to recall the time when you and I arranged the details of printing a Topeka High School class annual.
- 3 I am now permanently located in Seattle, Washington, but take the liberty of forwarding you a clipping from the Seattle Post-Intelligencer of February 19th, quoting a Korean official regarding the Japanese sabotage hazard which threatens the entire Pacific Coast.
- 4 There are thousands of Japanese in the Coast area merely awaiting the proper time to burn and destroy our properties and forests.
- 5 Practically all thinking Americans agree that our only safety for the present depends upon the immediate removal of all Japanese from the Coast states.
- 6 Both in Seattle and Spokane, Japanese redcaps are still handling personal baggage, and a railroad man in Spokane told me that the Japanese are watching and counting troop trains and all other activities pertaining to war. 7 It is my understanding that the Great Northern discharged these Japanese but that some United States government agency requested that they be reinstated.
- 8 Those of us whose lives and property are now subjected to this Japanese hazard will greatly appreciate what you and your associates do to immediately protect us, because there are many indications that the hazard is grave. 9 You doubtless are much better posted than we are, but I am anxious that you know that serious thinking people in this Coast area are extremely alarmed.
- 10 Thanking you for consideration of this problem, and with best personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

*R. R. Forbes*

R. R. Forbes

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encl.





CC. - F B I, Wash.

Los Angeles, Calif.,  
324 $\frac{1}{2}$  South Hill St.,  
Feb. 19, 1942.  
Evacuation of Japs

Hon. Sheridan Downey,  
Senate Office Bldg.,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

May I suggest that Congress by law divide our coast Japanese-American citizens who reside outside present defense areas, into the following two classes:

(a) Those deemed dangerous by state or federal governments; or those who have received any part of their education (after their 6th year), in Japan; those morally objectionable (such as prostitutes, bawdry house keepers, bookmakers, gamblers, violators of other laws; and those about whom little is clearly known or can be definitely proven without much investigation: those not included in class (b):

(b) Those not included above, and whose lives have thus far been without reproach in the community, and who affirm their loyalty to this country.

Members of the first class I think should be removed from the Coast, Gulf, and border (southern) states, and interned or resettled inland for "the duration." Members of the second class might be granted licenses to remain in their present abodes, outside defense areas, with the requirement that any change of occupation or address be reported to the local police within 12 hours under penalty of immediate arrest and internment, and that they be subject at all times to police supervision. The burden of proving that the alien belongs in class (b) would be on the alien and would be shown by documents, witnesses, and in other legal ways that would require no extended inquiry.

Personally, I think German and Italian citizens of parents born abroad, and, of course all aliens of such nationalities, should be subjected to the same treatment given the Japanese. And observation convinces me that many of our Filipino residents are unfriendly to this country.

I believe the above plan would safeguard American interests, protect innocent citizens of foreign extraction, and cause a minimum dislocation of our economic and political life. And if the suggested licenses were granted now, upon the declaration of martial law the military forces could move all aliens without such licenses and be spared the necessity of removing the loyal only to have them moved back again at public expense at a later date.

Respectfully yours,

Karl H. M. Gardner

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MAR 30 1942



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IMMEDIATE ACTION COMMITTEE

"Lose the West -- Lose All"

1118 Langley Street  
VICTORIA, B. C.

February 26, 1942.

Mayor La Guardia,  
The City Hall,  
New York City, U. S. A.

Dear Sir:-

The matter of reasonable precautions against the possible activities of the local Japanese may not seem at first glance a matter worthy of your attention. However, when you consider Vancouver Island as the ideal base of operations, both for the Japanese fleet and airforce, owing to its many excellent harbors and two considerable airfields, I think you will agree that in the hands of the Japanese it would be a dangerous threat and might be fatal to the whole of the North American continent.

Hoping that you will see your way to place this matter before other influential Americans many of whom are in the same position on the Pacific Coast of the United States.

We are,

Yours sincerely,

THE IMMEDIATE ACTION COMMITTEE

Per: ss/ Hubert Savage /  
Hon: Sec:

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7414 Hollywood Blvd.  
Hollywood, Calif.  
March 9th, 1942.

TOM C. CLARK  
FEDERAL ALIEN CONTROL COORDINATOR  
FEDERAL BUILDING  
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

146-13-0  
MAR 16 1942  
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
DIVISION OF RECORDS  
ALIEN ENEMY UNIT

Dear Tom Clark:

After reading the enclosed article, and others similar to it, your announced intentions of "extreme politeness" to the Japanese appals us.

It is true that many of our Japanese are one hundred percent Americans. In any other circumstance this timid sense of propriety might be commendable. But since the affair in Honolulu, the Dies report and other sources of information - tell us how dangerous is the other element of Japanese, the delays in evacuating these people are inexcusable. It is this kind of fumbling and pussy-footing that fills the American people with turmoil and confusion at the lack of initiative shown by you and others like you in doing a duty which should be clear-cut. Why can't we get some action?

With events going at lightning speed in the Far East, a period of sixty, thirty, or even fifteen days may be too late for we residents of California - who, thanks to you, will be left helpless at the hands of the bloodiest saboteurs in history.

I am mailing this letter to you because I wish you to get it at once. But another copy is being signed



MR. TOM CLARK

by a petition of names and addresses of a great many American citizens. And the copy will be filed. Carbons will be mailed to the newspapers, to the Governor, to our Senators and to the White House. Your job may not be political, but this is a people's government. Unless you are willing to work for the people, and heed their eloquent and crying demand - it behooves you, Mr. Clark, to resign your post and do it quickly!

An angry populace is aroused. Both your radio talk and your newspaper releases have been sickening milk and water commentaries on this situation, which for us does not promise enough.

Just what do you intend to do about this?

M. Holland

cc:

President Roosevelt ✓  
Governor Olson  
John L. DeWitt  
United States Senate  
The Los Angeles Examiner  
The Los Angeles Times  
The Los Angeles Evening Herald  
The Los Angeles Daily News







March 15, 1942  
Box 3251  
Brentwood, Calif.

My dear Mr. Ennis: 146-13-7-2-0 Record. E.A.

I was at first most encouraged by the statements of Mr. Biddle and Tom Clark in regard to the alien and citizen evacuation that is being undertaken here. The way things are working out ~~are~~ is shocking to one who always believed in the principles that are supposed to safeguard rights of American citizens.

Weeks and weeks of talk go on and still details of great importance are ignored. The evacuee don't know whether they can take their household goods or only 100 lbs or which rumor to believe. <sup>refrigerators</sup> \$200 have been sold for a few dollars; family treasures given away for lack of funds to pay for storage. Unscrupulous people are fleecing them, <sup>duplicate</sup> bills are being received altho paid long ago, neighborhood toughs are terrifying them.

now as a farmer's wife I know how long it takes to collect household equipment. These citizens have little enough without forcing them to sacrifice.

M. G. Gale



everything.

Rumors and headlines are terrifying — Spies — Fifth Columns etc. Those of us who know the local Japanese realize that they are being shamefully maligned as most of them are 100% American and as anxious for the bad ones to be locked up as we are. Their sons have been proud to wear the uniform of Uncle Sam. They are fine citizens and neighbors.

The day will come for them all to return. Must they come as paupers without a stick of property? Or will the government live up to its duties and take care of property of household nature and farm equipment as well as their <sup>desirable</sup> ~~lands~~ and tomato plants that people are trying to cheat them out of.

It is a disgrace to our nation that a minority group of its citizens should be treated in this manner simply because a lot of ignorant people are scared every time they see a Japanese face.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Weyman Proham



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R.R. #1, Box #95,  
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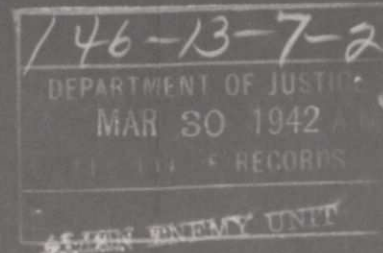
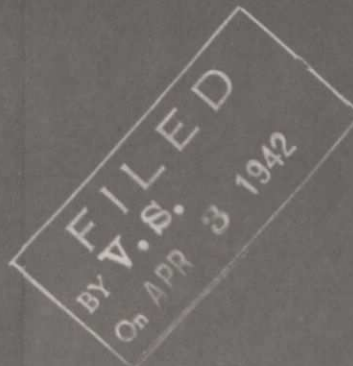
Edward J. Ennis,  
Director Alien Enemy Control Unit,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

On Feb. 12th your Office wrote me assuring that "So long as the Aliens in this country conduct themselves in accordance with the law, they need fear no interference by the Department of Justice or any other Agency of the Federal Government". The mass evacuation movement of Japanese goes right along and we are given to understand the Army intends to follow such a course without any exceptions. I have been reading in the papers that in some parts of our country exceptions have been made in evacuating where reputable citizens have acted as Sponsors. I have lived in this section nearly 29 years and have known many of the Japanese most of that time. Have seen the families raised and the sons and daughters trained in our schools and now they are our best expert and trained farmers and raising the essential food products we are told are necessary to win the war. They are not on relief or have they tried to be and are loyal Americans buying bonds and stamps with what money remains after crops are grown. They have sons and brothers fighting in the Army and are anxious to stay here and farm and do any and everything they can or are asked to do to help win the war. They do not have any faith or believe in the Japanese Government and wish to remain good Americans. Can you give me any advice regarding acting as Sponsor for those on my farms and for my neighbors to act as Sponsors for those on their farms and if the Justice Department believes it advisable? As we see the facts and face the problem we believe it best and more practical to keep them farming and producing rather than in detention camps and especially so when they are located in sections not adjacent vital areas or Military Zones such as ours.

Yours very truly,

*Geo. T. Childs*



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RECEPTION CENTRE FOR INTERNED JAPANESE. AS AMERICANS AND MEN  
 WORKING 72 HOURS A WEEK ON NATIONAL DEFENSE CAN YOU EXPLAIN  
 TO US AT THIS TIME WHY SUCH VITAL MATERIAL AND MANWORK  
 HOURS ARE WASTED ON SUCH A RIDICULOUS THING AS A RECEPTION  
 CENTRE FOR OUR ENEMY. OUR BRAVE MEN IN THE FAR EAST REQUIRE  
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PRODUCTION IS LAGGING. CANT YOU STOP THIS SORT OF THING.  
WE SUGGEST THAT YOU PUT THEM TO WORK. THAT WILL BE  
ENOUGH RECREATION TO KEEP THEM IN GOOD HEALTH.

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HONORABLE WARD JOHNSON--

MEMBER OF CONGRESS 106 HOUSE OFFICE BLDG--

URGENTLY SOLICIT YOUR ASSISTANCE IN REMOVING JAPANESE AND OTHER ENEMY ALIENS A REASONABLE DISTANCE AWAY FROM LOCAL STRATEGIC AREAS. A NUMBER OF ALIEN JAPANESE RESIDE AND WORK VEGETABLE GARDENS WITHIN A VERY SHORT DISTANCE OF LOCAL MUNICIPAL AIRPORT NOW USED AND OCCUPIED BY UNITED STATES ARMY. THESE PERSONS ARE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO SIGNAL HILL OIL WELLS. CITY WATER STORAGE AND GAS HOLDERS. OVER HUNDRED ALIEN JAPANESE OPERATING ON CITY MARKET AT LINCOLN PARK. SEVERAL ALIEN FAMILIES RESIDE AND HAVE PLACES OF BUSINESS IN VITAL HARBOR AREA IN WHICH THERE ARE A LARGE NUMBER OF FLOWING OIL WELLS AND IMPORTANT SHIPPING FACILITIES A WELL DIRECTED AND EXECUTED ACT OF SABOTAGE IN THIS AREA WOULD DO TREMENDOUS DAMAGE TO LIFE AND PROPERTY. ACTS AND PERFORMANCE OF THESE PERSONS IN PEARLHARBOR ARE PROOF OF THEIR INTENTIONS WHEN THE PROPER TIME ARRIVES--

J H MCCLELLAND CHIEF OF POLICE.

