

Cong. Rec. V. p. A 691

Speech
Rankin

Racial argument accusing
d-As of sabotage

Cong. Rec. V. p. 5907

Co. Remarks

Coffee, Wash.

12/12/41

Plea for fair treatment
of d-As

Cong. Rec., V. p. 515

Address

1/20/42

Ford, Leland, Calif.

Young concentration camps

Warren &
Bowron
(Post era)

From Fair Play
nws. files

Warren

6/21/43

(at 35th annual Gov. Conf.)

At Columbus, O. - release of 150,000
here now held in reloc. centers
may lead to sabotage & a
"second P. H. in Calif." It'd
lead to sit. where no one
wld know "a saboteur from
any other 1 ap." "... recently we
have read of the social experiments
in these reloc. centers & the move

ment within our govt. to release
the most of them as harmless to
the security of our home front.
But please don't be deceived. No
more dangerous step cld be
taken." ds shd be under army
or 7 B.I. Gov. Griswold of Neb.
say ds have been released w/
any trouble. Warren say this no
proof - Asus warfare timed.

(continued on next card)

Warren--Speech at Gov. Conference Card #2

6/21/43

"We are now producing approximately half of the ships and airplanes of the country on the Pacific Coast. To cripple these industries would be a body blow to the war effort. We don't want a second P.H. in Calif. There is something about standing on the shores of Calif. and seeing Jap submarines sink our coastwise ships or fire at shore installations that has a sobering influence. There is something about locating enemy incendiary bombs in the vast forests of Ore. that sharpens the imagination of those who know something about western forest fires.

Yes, and there is something about the thousands of boys who are invalided home from the Pacific front

to our military hospitals, something about the stories of their experiences, that convinces one that we are in a war different from any the Occidental mind has ever before conjured with.

(Fresno Bee, 6/21/43)

Warren

11/22/43

Says ds at Tule have full access to long distance telephone.

"The fact is that when the whole country is charged with the responsibility of protecting against sabotage & ~~sub~~^{sub}versive activities thru volunteers & law enforcement agencies, it's just absurd to ^{Permit} allow those admittedly disloyal aliens to have access to any

part of the country, which could keep them informed as to what these agents + saboteurs were doing + also keep those agents + saboteurs informed as to the things they might be able to do."

Also reported as saying will make formal appeal to fed. auth. to favor continuation of army control in Tule.
(AP release)

Warren

11/5/43

Urges army control of all &
relax camps in Calif. Declares
"W. R. A." not telling the truth
about conditions at Tule.

S. F. Call Bulletin 11/5/43

Warren

11/5/43

Warren for army control at Tule.
"I think that the security of
this coast as a combat area
is one for the Army to ad-
minister. Inasmuch as the
presence of many thousands
of saboteurs & 5th column is a
danger that confronts us here,
the Army should control the entire

situation" After disturbance he
contacted army because he "knew"
there was no purpose in negotiating
with the J. R. F. in view of its attitude
of "protecting the name of even violently
anti-Amer. J. R. F." The army is the
only agency that can tell us what
the situation is & the only agency
which shd determine where & how
the J. R. F. are to be interned.

Berkeley Gazette 11/2/43

Warren

1/20/44

Criticism of return of Tule to WRA
Tule practices of WRA not
consistent with safety of citi-
zens of the state or with
military security. "The loose
discipline exercised by the
WRA in the care of the desert
he said, has destroyed the
faith of the people of Calif

in that agency"

~~AP~~ U. P. release

Warren
Re Lt. Bd Agm.

1/18/48⁴

Warren says original action
"minority action" by hold-over
members. Introd. by Taylor,
Warren later ousted Taylor.

New res. declared ? of "return of
here shd not have been passed
on by less than a maj. of the bd

& expressed 'serious doubt' that it
would have been adopted Had a
map. been present.

Berkeley Gazette, 1/18/44

Warren

12/22/43

Reaction of agrm. Bd

"That was just a case of three
haldouers on the bd taking
advantage of a skeletonized meeting
to kick up dust & start internal
strife in Calif., rather than help
fight the war we are now en-
gaged in, & in which our boys are
fighting & dying every day." (Cameron)

Bureau, Sacramento - release
12/22)

Bowron

5/27/43

"mushy, sickly sentimentality of those who are so sorry for the poor dese" might affect Amer. fighting morale. Believes all Ids shd be deprived of citizenship

Bowron

5/14/43

L.A. News?

Bowron tells Sen. ^{by letter} Connors on military affairs that "I see philosophy & intellectual training as to attain perfection in deceit."
"I have no trust in protestation of loyalty made by interned Jese; Major B said in effect, & above all, do not allow them again to be concentrated on the

P.C. "It is not advisable to attempt to segregate the loyal from disloyal here," he said, "because no one is competent to make such a decision, & errors are likely to be very dangerous if the here approved as loyal should get a chance at a spot of sabotage." Re L. A. Co.'s "Many of them moved, & acted in accord with a definite plan. The selection of occupations, the location of businesses, truck farms & other activities could not be mere coincidence. Part of their strategy was to appear inoffensive & friendly. Their professed loyalty was merely a shield to dull suspicion of their activities."

Bowron

6/3/43

Re release from centers:

It will be interesting to see what this investigation reveals. My own guess is that much incompetency, and possibly some scandal, will be shown. Apparently somebody is anxious to get the Amer-born Jese out of relocation centers before too much is known about how the centers have been handled, how much it costs, and a few other interesting facts.

(L.A. Times, 6/3/43)

Bowron + other mayors

1/27/44

Bowron, Knud of San Diego, Wagner of
Long Beach, Riley of ~~San~~ Portland,
Deven of Seattle send letter to
Commons urging that no d's
be returned to w. c. cities.

L. F. Temes 1/27/44

Bowron

6/3/43

Reiterates stand that doesn't want Js returned to w.c. says not fostering race hatred. "I have not advocated violation of the Bill of Rights, I am not actuated by race prejudice, and am suggesting no action that would be detrimental to any minority groups. I have merely pointed out a legal theory that native born Jese never were citizens under a proper construction of the provisions of the U.S. Const. If they never were citizens, nothing cld be taken from them, and their position is different from that of Its., Gers, and members of any minority group.

The Js are in a class by themselves

L.A. News, 6/3/43

Letters to Congress -
men

484

Letters to Congressman

1074

Pressure groups - 72

Native Sons^{and} - 411 127

B P O E - 11

U F W - 11

Unions - 11

L O O F - 1

Mothers of Wives of Fighters - 1

Order of the Eastern Star - 1

American War Mothers of L. A. - 11

→ Pensioners of Prof. Women's Club - 11

7 national Order of Eagles - 11

Bus. group. - 11

~~Island Organized~~

City Clubs - 1

Col C - 411 111

Mothers of America

Calif. Soc. of the Sons of the American Rev - 1

Pacific League - 11

Calif Fed of Women's Clubs - 1

Legion - 11

Mothers Club - 1

Grange - 1

Fathers of Fighters - 1

Home Front Commanders - 11

Altura Club - 1

United Daughters of Confederacy - 1

Blue Star Women of Amer (Pickensbader) - 1

United Span War Vets

Chell Club - 11



Individuals - # 208

Assoc. w/ Business - 37

7 or Release - 15

Polit groups - 12

12
37
15
12
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126
208
—
334

Philip Tindall
~~Santi~~ Lawyer
Seattle, Wash.

Costello
July 16, 43

Advises Costello not to be drawn into race issue, but argue
on basis of Jp disloyalty.

Preston Kline Gaye, A.M., Bhd,
O.D., D.O.S.

L.A.

(Practice limited to the eye)

Thanks for wonderful work on Japs.

Costello
June 26, 43

E.J. Gowen, SecyTreas
Udall and Richards, Ind.,
Property Mgmt.
Hollywood, Calif

Costello
July 13, 43

L kes C's Jap stadd.

~~for~~ C.O. Bailey, M.D.
Military Order of the World War
of the U.S.

Costello
June 1, 43

Against return of Japs

Orrin Rice
Rice Hospital
L.A.

Costello
June 3, 43

Associated with Japs, knows they wanted Japanto win war

Caroline T. Stewart
Ass't Prof (retired)
U. of Missouri
Carol Park East

C stello

June 5, 43

Keep them all in concentration camps, send them back to
Japan after war

Costello
June 3

Gertrude Shanklin
Hedda Hopper's Hollywood
Hollywood

Don't want Japs back, commend Costello's work, and DeWitt

Costello

n o date

Homer Cook, Sr.
Gen . Contractor
Lynwood, Calif

No release of Japs

Farris Wheeler
Real Estate
Tarzana. Cal

Costello
June 3, 43

Stope release of Japs

D.P. Lucas, District Sup't
Hudson School District
Puate, Calif

Costello
June 1, 43

Should be liquidated as race. knows from experience in
teaching that they are not loyal

~~xxxx~~ Costello
May 28, 43

J.L. Gilkin
Los Angeles Bar Assn.
L.A.

Resolution opposing return of Japanese

C stello

June 6, 43 (wire)

Aimee Semple McPherson
L.A.

As President and Founder of International Church of the
Four Square Gospel protests against release of Japs t
Cal

J.F. Pimentell
A Legionnaire
Caruthers, Calif

Csostello
June 19, 43

Japs locked up for duration, back to J^apan after war

Costello
July 16, 43

Henry L. Rittenhouse
Hall, Tattersall and Co.
Philadelphia, Pa

Be fair and equitable in individual cases, but keep up good
work on Japs.

Mrs. M. Berton Schoonover
John Deere Plow Co.
Des Moines, Ia

Costello
July 15, 43

For Costello; doesn't want Japs to get hold in Iowa, either.

Cmdr. R.E. Daniels
Section Base
Navy 15,
C/O F.P.O. San Francisco

Costello
June 18, 43

Encloses clip from Honolulu Advertiser, showing Coms tello's
stand against representative of Am. Civ Lib Union , and con-
gratulates Costello.

Costello
July 3, 43

Mrs. Ocean Jolly
Publisher's Representative
L.A.

Against release

Costello
July 6, 43

Bruce A Findley
Visual Education Section
Board of Education
L.A.

Commends Japstad s heard on March of Time

Costello

June 20, 43

Henry J. Brady
Attorney
L.A.

Wants Japs kept ~~a~~ way from Coast for few years after war,
those who are trustworthy should be segregated and preated
right, but no pampering of others.

Walter S. Johnson
American Box Corp.
S.F.

Costello
June 25, 43

Impossible to distinguish good Jap.

Costello

Jan 16, 44

Cyril Wigmore
Mining Engineer
Los Angeles

Objects to location of camps at Manzanar and near Parker,
Ariz., because of proximity to strategic water and electric
supply lines.

Costello
June 10, 43

J. Clarence Rice
Rice Securities, Co.
Hanford, Calif.

Against release of Japs; regulation resolution adopted by
Citizens' Committee, Kings Co. Area

Chas. M. Rick
Davis, Calif

Costello
June 28 43

Anti-~~American~~ Jp propaganda forced, unAmerican. Knows Calif
Japs and never known evidence of disloyalty

Wendell L. Miller, Minister
University Church - Methodist
L.A.

Costello
June 14, 43

Letter attacking Dies Committee.

Costello

June 14, 43

Jo Allyn Clark
Marysville, Calif.

Wants Dies Committee to tell some of the favorable things about
Tule internees, how they submitted willingly to evacuation.
Only old are disloyal, and they are impotent. Encloses Bricker's
article from Nation on Is Germany Incusable, With Cal fornia
substituted for Germany.

Costello
June 16, 43

~~Had~~
Robert Hudson
Univ. of Minnesota

Objects to making political football of internees. Asks that evidence of America Friends Service Committee be published.

Mrs. Lucile Cplyer
L.A.

Costello
May 10, 43

Protests ^Costello's stand on Japanese, for social justice,
application of Atlantic Charter at home

Ida I. Bellows
L.A.

Costello
May 8, 43

For Chandler's plan to release Nisei.

Costello

June 16, 43

Deputy

M.V. Wilson, County Clerk
Stanislaus Co.,
Modesto, Calif.

American Legion, Dep't of Calif, sponsoring program for
dealing with Japs; Board of Supervisors of Stanislaus
Co. approves. Also wants thorough investigation of Jap
question on coast and exposure of all Quislings. Heartily
endorses DeWitt

Costello

June 16, 43

Nellie M. Cline
City Clerk, City of Placentia
Orange Co, Calif

Resolution against return of Japs: too near defense industries;
people can judge them who have lived near them; kept contra
band and engaged in Un American activity; hatred against
Japs especially by Americans who have lost boys in Pacific war;
need precaution to prevent sabotage. Resolved: no Japs back
on coast. Send copies to Evacuation and resettlement Study
at Berkeley, et al .

Costello

June 30, 43

Mattie R. Lund
Secy-Treas
County Treasurers Association, Calif

Resolution by organization : Since it was matter of military necessity, to evacuate, and impossible to distinguish between loyal and disloyal, resolved that Japanese be retained in relocation centers for duration and not released for any reason.

Costello
June 23, 43

County Supervisors Association of California
Headquarters, Room 5, Hotel Sacramento, Sacramento, Calif.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, the State of California and the entire West Coast has been and still is a most critical defense area due to its long exposed coast line and the proximity to the enemy, and

Whereas, at the time of the dastardly attack at Pearl Harbor the situation on the West Coast was further periled by the presence of thousands of people of Japanese heritage, many of whom were foreign born and still held their allegiance to their native land, and

Whereas, under the excellent leadership and guidance of Lt. Gen. DeWitt, these people of Japanese heritage have been quietly and quickly evacuated from the Western Area, and
cont'd

Whereas, by reason of such evacuation this area has been practically free from sabotage and other subversive attacks, and the ~~area~~ peace and quiet maintained, and

Whereas, in many other matters, Gen DeWitt has demonstrated his fitness to be in charge of the defense of the West Coast, and by reason of his fitness and ability has caused to be instilled in us great confidence in him,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the Board of Directors of the Supervisors Association of the State of California, do hereby express our appreciation of the services of Gen. De Witt, and our confidence in his leadership, and we trust that those in authority will see fit to approve the many acts and orders of Gen DeWitt, particularly in reference to the evacuation of the Japanese people, and

Be it further resolved that we urge that war authorities leave Gen. DeWitt in charge of this Western Defense Area, and if he can be left here, we want to assure him and those responsible for his appointment, that we are con'td

back of him and will ~~not~~ continue to be back of him in the administration of the war program on this Western Coast.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, Sen Hiram W. Johnson, Sen. Sheridan Downey, to Each Congressman representing the State of California and to the Secy of War Henry L. Stimson.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the County Supervisors Association of California held at the Court House, Oakland, Calif., June 18, 1943

County Supervisors Association of
California

Roscoe L. Patterson, Pres.
J.H. Hunter, Secy

Costello
June 8, 43

A.W. Noon, Chairman
Kern C. Board of ^{SS} Supervisors

Protest release

Costello

April 22, 43

Wendell L. Miller, Minister
University Church - Methodist
Los Angeles.

Loyal Japanese should be released. No sabotage at Pearl Harbor, so why consider past Japanese a danger in case of attack?

Costello

May 18, 43

Margaret C. Hayes

State Legis, Chairman

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom

Calif. State Branch

Feel that recommendations of Military Affairs sub-committee headed by Sen. Chandler, wise, should be adopted. Citizens should have right to clear selves.

Sam Yocum

L.A. 7-27-43

Costello

May 11, 43

Stop kicking interned Japs in face. Let Supreme Ct.
Decide.

Costello
July 9, 43

D.S. Myer, Director
WRA

Would appreciate any specific information Costello has on evacuees illegally removing farm machinery from State of entering agreements to avoid requisitioning. Will then check situation.

Rev. Frank B. Fagerburg
First Baptist Church
Los Angeles, Calif.

Costello
Feb. 26, 43

Against placing relocation centers under military authority
Wants them under WRA

J.A. Ulio
Major General,
Adjutant General's Office
Washington

Costello
Feb. 18 43

Justifies enrollment of Japanese Americans in Army.

Colstello
July 27, 43

G. Merrill Lenox
Associate Director
Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board
Northern Baptist Convention
New Yprk

Points out serious weaknesses in Cstello's broadcast in attemptin g to explain away lack of sabotage, discrimination against Japanese residents as against treatment of Germans and Italians. Says the loyal elements should be encouraged.

Costello
July 29, 43

John J. McCloy,
Assistant Secretary of War

Letter to Costello explaining incident of Japanese American soldiers on furlough in Washington digging up camera. Completely exonerates soldiers, says they acted in perfectly legal way. Sees nothing in incident to indicate necessity of refusing permission to such soldiers to visit coast on furlough as rules applied to general Japanese population not applicable to soldiers.

Costello
Sept. 18, 1943

Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
Pasadena Chapter

Signed: Mrs. Maynard F. Thayer
Priscilla Beattie

"...opposes restrictive measures aimed at Undermining the
rights of citizens on account of racial descent.

Costello
Sept. 13, 43

R.J. Veon
Country Clerk
Co. of Kern, Bakersfield, Calif

Don't want Japs back for ~~all~~usual reasons: sabotage, espionage,
injury to war effort.

C.A. Dambacher, clerk
Board of Supervisors
Tuolumne Co

Costello
June 8, 43 wire

Protest release

Castello
June 16, 43

Chas. Richeson
Attorney at La
Phoenix, Ariz

Clippijg enclosed on Jap arrested for selling tires illegally.
Says FBI terrorized by killing of Paul Reynolds.

Costello
May 6, 43

D.Z. Gardner
La Offices
L.A.

No Japs on coast, even after war

Pete Sanchez

Pres, Southern Calif. Baseball Assn
L.A.

Costello

May 6, 43

No return of Japs/

Costello
May 11, 43

Sol Schiff
Copeland Brokerage Co.
Food Brokers,
L.A.

Against return of Japs

Perry G. Powers
Bendix Aviation Ltd
No. Hollywood, Calif

Costello
May 9, 43

Cites instances, as former Marine, of Jap pre-war spying.

Corlett Wagner
Los Angeles Realty Board
L.A.

Castello
June 17, 43

Unanimous res. by board to oppose return of any Japs to
Coast . management of camps to War Dep't

T.H. Wright
Wright's Greenhouses
Los Angeles, Calif

Costello

July 3, 43

Likes Costello' stand on release of Japs. American born
Japs worse than aliens; hate whites, and have training.
If they return to coast white men who lost sons, and returned
soldiers will cause trouble. Unwilling to face Jap com-
petition.

Costello
July 16, 43

T.H. Wright
Wright's Greenhouses
Los Angeles

Nurserymen, et al. trying for years to rid selves of Japanese competition; have formed association, are raising considerable money for purpose. Orange growers representatives advised that they camouflage X "Selfish" reason, but writer feels it not selfish to want to be rid of unfair competition of Jap with large family working for him, living like rats.

Dr. Orlando F. Scott
Psychiatrist - Director
Chicago, Ill

Costello
April 19, 43

Letter from "National Detection of Deception Laboratories"
Test Japs by lie detector to determine loyalty.

W.W. Sherwood, M.D.
Homeopathic Surgeon
L.A.

Costello
July 1, 43

A Jap is a Jap.

Jason S. Joy,
Director of Public Relations
Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp.
Beverly Hills

Castello
July 1, 43

Commends Jap stand

Costello
May 6, 43

Lou Mason
Insurance
Long Beach, Calif

Commends Jap stad

Costello
July 19, 43

O. des Granges
Diamond G. Ranch
Fullerton, Calif

Doesn't want Japs back on coast or a fourth term

Costello
June 3, 43

Bert E. Wood
Bert Wood and Co.
Los Angeles

Violent letter about yellow-bellied Japs, Shyster Dillon
Myers, etc.

"The name Myers~~xxx~~ would put in the mind of any intelegent
(sic) American that as a side line he was either in the
three ball or Money to loan business."

Dan P. White
Hollywood, Calif

Costello
June 5, 43

Members of Civilian Defense Corps protest return of Japs.

six signers

Rosemary Starke
Tenants of Rangeley Apts
L.A.

Costello
June 15, 43

46 names

Costello

June 30, 43

Resolution

adopted by City Council of City of El Segundo, Calif

Against return of Japanese to Coast. Would serve no purpose, only lead to violations of law by well meaning citizens who are aroused by treatment of Americans by Japs, treacherous attack on our shores.

Gay E. Crane
Stockton City Council

C stello
June 21, 43

Return of Japs detrimental to best interest and gen welfare
of Calif. and U.S.

Rex E. Gaikfus, Cit y Clerk
City of Modesto

Costello
July 28, 43

Resolution to endorse stand of American Legion, Department
of Calif.

Walter C. Peterson, City ~~ex~~ clerk
Los Angeles

Cos ello
June 9, 43

Resolution: nervous tension of people; safety of country and internees themselves; ideologies different, no Jap can be loyal Am.; survey shows that 80% of internees would fight for Japan and other ~~20~~ 20% unknown; DeWitt's strategy would be nullified if released; peace officer personnel on coast reduced; Peace Officers Association opposes lessening of internship restrictions; citizens of coast opposed to infiltration of Japs. Resolved: continued internment of Japs; no organization be permitted to engage in activities that would lower restrictions.

Costello

May 26, 43

Normans Enz
Peace Officers Association
of L.A. Co.
L.A.

See Walter Peterson, City Clerk of LA. card; same resolution.

Lauren E. Ferguson

B.P.O.E.

Berkeley Lodge No. 1002

Berkeley, Calif

Costello

June 21, 43

Resolution to protest return of Japs.

Costello

June 21, 43

Rushey Thompson, chairman

Auxiliary to the Post #3171

V.F.W.

Selem, Calif

No Japs allowed on Coast, including thos in service

Mr. Smith
L.A.

Costello
May 6, 43

No Japs on coast

Mrs. Marjorie GC Gump
Oakland, Calif

Costello
May 7, 43

No Japs on coast