

Cong. Rec. Y. p. A 691

Speech  
Rankin

Racial argument accusing  
d-As of sabotage

Cong. Rec. V. p. 5907

Co. Remarks

12/12/41

Coffee, Wash.

Plea for fair treatment  
of d-As

Cong. Rev., V. p. 515

Address

1/20/42

Ford, Leland, Calif.

Young concentration camps

Warren &  
Bowron  
(Post era)

From Fair Play  
newsp. files

Warren

6/21/43

(at 35<sup>th</sup> annual Gov. Conf.)  
At Columbus, O. - release of 150,000  
decs 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 49." "... 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 - Apes 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~~<sup>sub</sup>versive activities thru volunteers & law enforcement agencies, it's just absurd to <sup>Permit</sup> 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  
reloc 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 & 5<sup>th</sup> 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 W.R.F. in view of its attitude  
of "protecting the name of even violently  
anti-Amer. desc". The army is the  
only agency that can tell us what  
the situation is & the only agency  
which shd determine where & how  
the desc are to be interned.

Berkeley Gazette 11/8/43

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.

1/18/48<sup>4</sup>

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

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

4 expressed 'serious doubt' that it  
would have been adopted had a  
maj. been present.

Berkeley Gazette, 1/18/44

Warren

12/22/43

Reaction of agr. Bd

"That was just a case of three holdovers 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 engaged in, & in which our boys are fighting & dying every day." (Examiner)

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. <sup>by letter</sup> ~~Comm~~ on military affairs that "these philosophy & intellectual training is 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 few 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 Diego, Wagner of  
Long Beach, Riley of ~~San~~ Portland,  
Deven of Seattle send letter to  
Commons urging that no ds  
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<sup>and</sup> - III III

BPOE - II

UFW - II

Unions - II

2007 - I

Mothers of Wives of Fighters - I

Order of the Eastern Star - I

American War Mothers of h. A - II

→ Pensioners - Prof. Women's Club - II

7 returned Order of Eagles - II

Bus. group. - II

~~Trade Organizers~~

City Clubs - I

Col C - III III

Mothers of America

Calif. Sec. of the  
Sons of the American Rev - I

Pacific League - II

Calif Fed of Women's Clubs - I

League - II

Mothers Club - I

Mothers - I

Fathers of Fighters - I

Home Front Commandos - II

Altruism Club - I

United Daughters of Confederacy - I

Blue Star Women of Amer (Pickensbader) - I

United Span War Vets

Chell Club - II



Individuals - # 208

Assoc. w/ Business - 37

7 or Release - 15

Palet groups - 12

12  
37  
15  
12  

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176  
208  

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384

Philip Tindall  
~~Sent~~ 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, Secy Treas  
Udall and Richards, Ind.,  
Property Mgmt.  
Hollywood, Calif

Costello  
July 13, 43

L kes C's Jap stadd.

~~Ex~~ G.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  
Hullywood

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

~~James~~ 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

Csbstello  
June 19, 43

Japs locked up for duration, back to Japan 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. H. 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 congratulates 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, #3

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 treated  
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.

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

Costello  
June 10, 43

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

Chas. M. Rick  
Davis, Calif

Costello  
June 28 43

Anti-~~American~~ Jap 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.

Jo Allyn Clark  
Marysville, Calif.

Costello  
June 14, 43

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 <sup>N</sup>ation on Is Germany Incusable, With California 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 ~~XXXX~~ 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 ~~see~~ 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 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 Internationl League for Peace and Freedom

Calif. State Brach

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. 733333

Costello

May 11, 43

Stop kicking interraed 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.

Costello  
Feb. 26, 43

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

Against placing relocation centers under military authority  
Wants them under WRA

Costello  
Feb. 18 43

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

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 Colstello'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~~ unusual reasons: sabotage, espionage,  
injury to war effort.

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

Costello  
June 8, 43 wire

Protest release

Chas. Richeson  
Attorney at La  
Phoenix, Ariz

Castello  
June 16, 43

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 Brokage 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 cosst 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, City 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% 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.  
Selma, 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