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May 1, 1944

Rev. Aaron A. Heist  
Broadway at Cook St.  
Santa Maria, Calif.

Dear Mr. Heist:

We do not have enough copies on hand to satisfy your order of April 28, 1944, for 100 copies of "Beyond The Horizon". Since we have temporarily lent the cuts to an officer at Camp Shelby, it will be several weeks before any more copies will be available.

I am enclosing a copy of a new pamphlet we have just issued, which you may find of some interest.

I am holding your check for \$6.00 in the office here, pending further word from you.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

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5/22/44

May 1, 1944

Dear Mrs Kingman -

Received the very impressive pamphlet yesterday. Thanks millions for it. The effects from it on us is good to us too. Curious to know how the literature you put out is distributed.

Have a few free minutes to write, so thought I'd let you know at least my new address, so the wait for mails from Berkeley won't be too long. I'll write more later.

I hope everything goes well with you and the committee. Please drop a few words this way when and if you have time. Hearing from you is good.

Sincerely,  
Glad

Put. Edwin H. Lind

ASN 34913689

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C/o Post Master New York City

(I'm sorry that I can't write straight)



## American Friends Service Committee

20 South Twelfth Street

Philadelphia  Pennsylvania

May 1, 1944

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you very much for the very interesting pamphlet  
which you sent to Homer Morris.

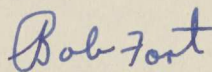
We feel that such a pamphlet will be very helpful  
explaining the relocation program to many of the people.

I would suggest that if you have not already done  
so that perhaps the Resettlement Committee of the Federal  
Council of Churches at 297 Fourth Avenue, New York City,  
might also receive copies for distribution.

If we find that we will need more copies of this  
pamphlet we will be glad to get in touch with you.

Thanking you again for your courtesy in sending us  
this pamphlet, I am,

Sincerely,

  
Bob Fort

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2/22/44  
W. Leigh

1385 Beaumont, Ave.  
Beaumont, Calif.  
May 1, 1944

Pasadena Chapter,  
Pacific Coast Committee on American Principals & Fair Play,  
2045 LeDroit Drive,  
South Pasadena, Calif.

Gentlemen:

Recently I came across some of your literature among some of our Legion papers and might say that I am interested in the race prejudice problem.

Mr. Frank M. King, a columnist in the Western Livestock Journal, published at the Los Angeles Union Stock Yards, became so obnoxious that recently I called him for it. For this I refer you to the weekly issues of December 14, 1943 and January 18, 1944. I am not proud of the way I did it but it was done to the best of my ability and was at least a move. I enclose a more recent column as a sample. That his column is unquestionably filthy in regards racial discrimination, and not in my opinion alone I refer you further to the Feature Issues of October 1943, November 1943; the weekly issues for December 7, 1943, February 1, February 29, and (with more emphasis) April 11, 1944.

My brother and I are War II veterans and a third brother is now in the Army Air Corps. Neither of us served over seas but he spent many months in Tonerly General Hospital in Palm Springs with fellows from the South Pacific.

I have enclosed a check in the amount of one dollar for which kindly shower Mr. King with every article of literature you have available. With this I have about exhausted my resources though I hope it has not been wasted effort.

Yours truly,

Warren Leigh  
Warren Leigh



May 22, 1944

Mr. Warren Leigh  
1285 Beaumont Ave.  
Beaumont, Calif.

Dear Mr. Leigh:

Thank you very much for your interest in  
your letter of May 1st.

We have sent material to Mr. King (note  
enclosed letter copy), and we shall send him  
more material as it appears from time to time.

You have also been placed on our regular  
mailing list, and I have mailed under separate cover  
material, which you may be able to use.

Thank you again.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

mj



May 2, 1944

Mr. Frank S. Bayley  
White-Henry-Stuart Building  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Bayley:

Mrs. Kingman has shown me your letter of April 20 to her, in which you quote three paragraphs from Bisson's article in March PACIFIC AFFAIRS, about the Japanese Emperor. I had carefully read that article, and could make comments as to slight points in which I think Bisson has erred, but as you point out, we are concerned only with the possible bearing of the Emperor dogma on the persons of Japanese ancestry living in this country, especially through the language schools.

I wonder if your concern on this matter is not unnecessary, for the obvious reason that the revival of such Japanese schools after the war is quite unlikely, except on a basis which would make them instruments of Americanism. Even before this war, nearly all the schools in Northern California were using textbooks that had the approval of the State Dept. of Public Instruction. The chief point of doubt was as to the character of the teachers, since a majority of them were then aliens, and some of them were directly connected with Shinto shrines. With the rapid dying off of the older generation, and with the discrediting of State Shinto and the militarists and that whole complex by virtue of disastrous defeat, if language schools are revived, the teachers would almost certainly be pro-American, and largely Nisei. Incidentally, it may be added that about one-sixth of the schools in this region were under Christian auspices. That the language schools have largely failed to inculcate Nipponism in the Nisei has been more than once asserted by loyal Nisei and also by scientific students of the situation, like Professors Strong of Stanford, and W.C. Smith of Linfield College. The pupils, as a rule, find the schools distasteful, and most of them fail to acquire a good command of the language. The same is true of the Chinese who attend the similar schools in this country. /and Burrows of Hawaii./

After saying all this, I agree with you that we should be on the alert to prevent attempts to propagate Nipponism in post-war America. The best prophylactic, I suppose, will be a robust democracy. To this end, our public schools will doubtless continue to be a potent instrument for the children of all racial stocks.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher



WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

226 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago 6, Illinois

May 2, 1944

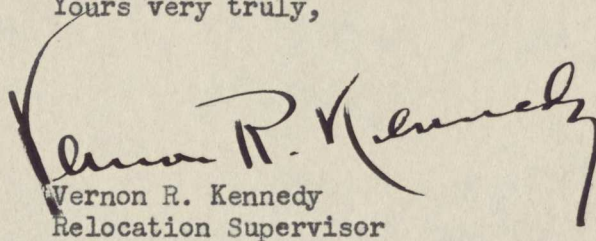
Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Executive Secretary  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for the copy of the pamphlet, "American  
Fighting Men Speak Out."

I have read it with interest and will make it available  
to the other members of the staff in this office.

Yours very truly,

  
Vernon R. Kennedy  
Relocation Supervisor





WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

821 Pyramid Building  
Little Rock, Arkansas

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO:

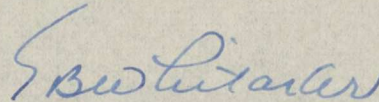
May 2, 1944

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

We received a copy of your excellent pamphlet which was recently published. I doubt seriously if your Committee realizes the tremendous good it is doing. The fact that your membership is made up of people on the Pacific Coast and is non-governmental carries weight with the most skeptical people. We have found the other pamphlets you put out to be of great assistance. We would like for you to know that we appreciate your efforts very, very much.

Sincerely



E. B. Whitaker  
Field Assistant Director





5/2/44  
Wm

521 E. Cook St.

Santa Maria, Calif.

May 2, '44

Am. Principles & Fair Play  
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Sirs:-

Do you have any more copies  
of Yori Wada's story "Beyond the  
Horizon" available? Unless Mr.  
Gillett got some when he was in  
San Francisco last week, I am  
sure that he will want quite a  
<sup>few</sup> ~~few~~ copies. This pamphlet is one of the  
most effective things you have  
done thus far. (My neighbor, Rev.  
A.A. Heist showed me his copy.)



Please put me on your mailing  
list & I will contact Mr. Pillett  
for orders on things which he  
can use in his mid-western  
speaking trips.

Yours truly,

—Maurice M. Pillett

(Mrs. Clarence S.)



5/6/44.  
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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Gila River Project  
Rivers, Arizona

Reports Office

MAY 2 1944

Pacific Coast  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
Headquarters: Room 203  
465 California Street  
San Francisco, California

Gentlemen:

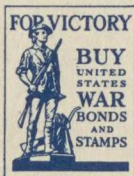
We were very glad to receive a copy of the pamphlet, American Fighting Men Speak Out. You certainly have gathered some splendid material and compiled it in such a manner that its use should be effective.

We are ordering 30 copies to use in our public relations work. Please keep us informed of material which you prepare for distribution.

Very truly yours,

*L. H. Bennett*

L. H. Bennett  
Project Director





May 3, 1944

Mr. Saburo Kado  
415 Beason Bldg.  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Kado:

Since Mrs. Kingman has been extremely busy for the past few days in business in San Francisco, she has asked me to express to you her great appreciation of your criticism of our recent pamphlet "American Fighting Men Speak Out".

I am enclosing a previous pamphlet, which you may not have seen, that includes the use of the sort of cuts to which you referred. Because we did not have available the proper sort of cuts of Nisei and Caucasian service men together, or of Caucasian service men alone, we found it necessary to omit any cuts except the cover picture of Sgt. Ben Auroki and Pvt. Terrell Tennant.

We hope that this omission does not detract essentially from the value of the work.

~~Sincerely yours,~~

*Most cordially*

Office secretary

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May 3, 1944

Editor  
Heart Mountain SENTINEL  
Heart Mountain, Wyo.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Galen Fisher referred to us your request for such duplicate clippings as we might be able to supply from time to time. I believe we have already sent you two or three packets.

It occurs to me that it should be pointed out that this is not at all a representative set of clippings; we merely send those of which we have duplicates. We hope that you are getting a more representative outlay from other sources, particularly other of the mid-west papers.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

mj



May 3, 1944

Miss Annie Clo Watson  
International Institute  
1860 Washington Street  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Annie Clo:

I am sorry not to have got to this before, but things have been so pressing -- "on a national level" -- that I have not been able to keep the local correspondence in order.

I am enclosing copies of my letters to Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Davidson, hoping that they answer the questions put to you.

Regarding the material for Ruth Tanbara, I have already sent her what we have, and explained to her the scarcity of heavily documented material before Pearl Harbor.

Our talk with Secretary Ickes was good, wasn't it? And from what I hear from him, directly and otherwise, he thinks so, too.

Very cordially yours

( Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman )



May 3, 1944

Mrs. Ruth Tanbara  
218 South Avon Street  
  
St. Paul Minnesota

Dear Ruth:

I am sorry not to have got at this before--Miss Annid Clo Watson forwarded your letter to me a couple of weeks ago. But the whole program of the Committee is being stepped up to such a pace that it is increasingly difficult for this understaffed office to take care of ~~the~~ things as expeditiously as we would like to.

I wish that there were much additional material to send to you, but as far as I know none of the studies being carried on now are in any way complete, or have been released even in preliminary form. As you have stated, little of the research antedates 1942. We, ourselves, have done nothing other than the Fisher Pamphlet, which you have doubtless seen. I am sending you another, in case you don't have one.

Of late, W.R.A. is doing a much more comprehensive job of collecting pertinent information. I am sure that you have been in touch with Mr. John Baker, and are on his mailing list. If you are not, do write him for the stuff they are sending out now.

Just because I know you will like it, I'm sending our new pamphlet "American Fighting Men Speak Out".

Very cordially yours,

Mr. Ruth W. Kingma

copy to Miss Watson



May 3, 1944

Mrs. Cecilia Razovsky Davidson  
Common Council for American Unity  
222 Fourth Avenue  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Davidson:

At the request of Miss Annie Clo Watson, I have sent a letter to Mrs. Reynold Boone of Gilroy, California, (copy enclosed) in which I have tried to answer some of the question you referred to Miss Watson.

In addition to this, I have sent her copies of all of the material we have gathered together, which are related to the problem she raises.

Thank you very much for your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman)

copies to

Miss Annie Clo Watson

Mrs. Reynold Boone



May 3, 1944

Mrs. Roynold Boone  
286 North Hanna,  
Gilroy, California

Dear Mrs. Boone:

Your letter to Mrs. Cecilia Radovsky Davidson of the Common Council for American Unity has been referred to me through one of our Board Members, Miss Annie Clo Watson of the International Institute.

I have just checked with the Assistant Director of the Western Regional Office of the War Relocation Authority, Mr. Victor L. Furth, to get the exact information you have asked for in reply to the statement in your letter--

"The Rye Tractor Company is making the statement that one of the reasons they do not have enough equipment for the local farmers is on account of the Japanese who are released. They claim the government is giving these American Japanese all the equipment they need to farm with on down payment. The local farmers are short of equipment and this statement enrages them. Is this true?".

I am informed by Mr. Furth that there is no basis whatever for such a statement, and that it would be well to pin it down for refutation. The fact is that the only Government interest in providing farm implements to Japanese Americans is indicated in the service given by the Farm Security Administration, which considers application for aid in securing such implements on the basis of need, regardless of the race or ancestry of the applicant.

May I suggest that it will be particularly helpful if you or your friends can secure one of the reported statements by the Tractor Company, as official denial of such can be easily obtained.

I am sending you the materials gathered by our Committee, whose growing membership is enabling us to enlarge our work in a most gratifying manner.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman)

Copies to Miss Watson

Mrs. Davidson



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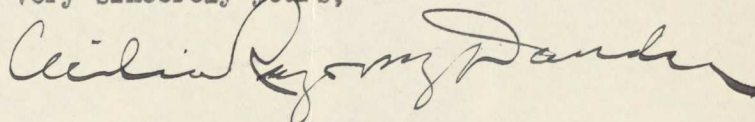
Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
465 California Street - Room 203  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for your letter of May 3rd,  
enclosing copies of your correspondence  
concerning Mrs. Roynold Boone.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,



Cecilia Razovsky Davidson

CRD/eg



May 2, 1944

Mr. Clarence Gillett  
6501 Wydown Blvd.  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Gillett:

At the suggestion of Mr. Galen Fisher, we  
would like to order 100 copies of "Races of Mankind".  
Please bill the Fair play Committee at 2234 Telegraph Ave.,  
Berkeley 4, Calif.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

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LOS ANGELES EVENING  
**HERALD Express**  
AN INDEPENDENT PAPER

FRANK F. BARHAM, PUBLISHER

HOME PAPER OF LOS ANGELES—LARGEST DAILY CIRCULATION IN THE WEST

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

May 3, 1944

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you for the folder. I have read it from cover to cover. I feel certain that those of Japanese decent who have proved themselves as members of the armed forces are entitled to, and will be given, the treatment they are entitled to as Americans and patriots.

Public opinion is still being whipped up to a high pitch by those whose sons were mistreated or murdered in Philippine Prisoner of War Camps. However, I do not believe that even those people will take action against Japanese Americans who have proved themselves loyal.

Yours very truly,

*Darsie L. Darsie*

Darsie L. Darsie  
Chief Editorial  
Writer

DLD:jk



May 4, 1944

Mr. Harry F. Henderson  
1708 Oak St.  
So. Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

I am writing for Mrs. Kingman to express her appreciation of your continued interest in our Committee work. We find the clippings most helpful and necessary.

May we continue to count on your keeping us up with the clippings?

We are most grateful.

Very sincerely yours,

Office secretary

mj



May 4, 1944

American Friends Service Committee  
1830 Sutter St.  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sirs:

The cost of the 100 copies of "A Balance Sheet on Japanese Evacuation" mailed to you today, is six dollars. Please make the check payable to the Fair Play Committee.

Thank you very much.

Very sincerely yours,

Office secretary

mj



12/2/44  
P. O. Box 1266  
Greensboro, N. C.  
May 5, 1944

The Committee on American  
Principles and Fair Play  
2234 Telegraph Ave.  
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Sir:

I am a young Japanese American who's  
doing chick sexing work in this vicinity for the  
past several years.

The public in Greensboro is favorable  
for us and people in the Eastern North Carolina  
~~look~~ more considerable toward us Japanese  
Americans, but there is only one town that  
dislikes us in the mountain region of Western <sup>part of</sup> state.  
It is North Wilkesboro. I have several hatcheries  
for which I am serving as a chick sexor in this  
town. I have to eat at a cafe when I come  
~~to~~ this town, but some people try to discriminate  
against me occasionally. They think I'm a Jap  
Nisei. For instance, Bozo Davis ~~and~~ cabs have  
printed thousands of Card <sup>one</sup> which I am enclosing and  
some wild people try to practise it on us.

Enclosed please find a remittance of \$2.00.  
Will you please <sup>send</sup> copies of "American Fighting Men  
Speak Out" <sup>to</sup> the following people and firms  
<sub>addressed</sub>



North Wilkesboro High School  
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Board of Education  
Wilkesboro, N. C.

\* Mr. Tom Foster  
Blue Ridge Hatchery  
Wilkesboro, N. C.

\* Wilkes Hatchery  
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

\* Tuxedo Hatchery  
Wilkesboro, N. C.

Wilkes Hotel  
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Since I thought it was more effective  
those copies sent directly to the above from you  
without revealing my name, I ask <sup>you</sup> above favor  
for me. Thanking you in advance.

Yours sincerely,

J. F. Loo

P/s Send one of copies ~~for~~ myself too.



at my own expenses. Should ~~a~~<sup>a couple</sup> dollar is  
not enough please notify me so that I can  
refund the balance to you.

(\* My good friends)

Mr. Jay McGuinn

Route #2

Mill Spring, Pope County, N. C.

Mr. Bozo Davis

Davis Cabs

N. Wilkesboro, N. C.

The Journal-Patriot

Carter Bldg., Ninth St.

North Wilkesboro, N. C.

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North Wilkesboro, N. C.

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MILLER FREEMAN

71 Columbia Street  
Seattle 4, Washington.

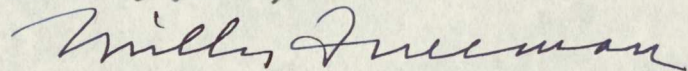
May 5, 1944.

Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Secretary  
Pacific Coast Committee  
American Principles and Fair Play  
465 San Francisco Street  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I am enclosing a letter just received from Congressman Henry M. Jackson, in which you will note that he says that he would appreciate receiving any reactions on our correspondence from members of the board of your organization.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Miller Freeman".

Miller Freeman.

MF:AB



HENRY M. JACKSON

2<sup>nd</sup> DIST. WASHINGTON

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:  
JOHN L. SALTER

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

Washington, D. C.

May 1, 1944

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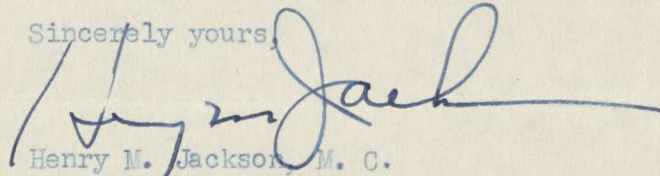
Dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for the file of correspondence which you sent to me, outlining your communications with Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Executive Secretary of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

I was very interested in reading these views and believe that without too much difficulty you can find a common ground of agreement with the official position adopted by this organization.

I would be very much interested in any reactions you may obtain from the other members of the board when they have reviewed this correspondence.

Sincerely yours,



Henry M. Jackson, M. C.

HMJ:gp



May 6, 1944

Mr. Frank Masuda  
Veterans Facility  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Masuda:

I am sending under separate cover  
some material which you may find of some  
interest, re your letter of May 2, 1944.

There is no extra charge for this  
material.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

mj



May 6, 1944

Mr. L.H. Bennett  
Project Director  
Gila Relocation Center  
Rivers, Arizona

Dear Mr. Bennett:

The cost for the 30 copies of "American  
Fighting Men Speak Out" ordered in your letter  
of May 2, and mailed to you today under separate  
cover, is \$2.15.

Please make the check payable to the Fair  
Play Committee.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

mj



May 6, 1944

Mr. Dillon S. Myer  
Director, War Relocation Authority  
Department of the Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Myer:

At a meeting with Secretary Ickes last month, in San Francisco, several members of our Committee suggested that it would be desirable and possible to bring together the existing government and non-government groups and agencies to consider problems arising with any return to the Western Defense Command of persons of Japanese ancestry.

We believe that before such cooperation can be achieved, or should be sought, the strongest possible stand should be taken by the War Department, through the Commanding General of the Western Defense Command, indicating determination to protect the rights of law abiding persons to take advantage of the modified policy.

The Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, through Executive Committee action on March 9, 1944, proposed that a plan be drawn up, for presentation to the proper federal authorities, outlining a possible procedure for gaining cooperation between various public and private groups in a realistic consideration of the problems involved in the return of loyal evacuees to their former homes.

The enclosed outline is the first draft of such a plan. We realize that there are many details lacking, but feel that the general picture is sufficiently accurate to indicate the type of thing we have in mind.

We shall, of course, be willing to change or modify it, subject to your feeling of need or advisability. Our only insistence is that the War Department carry a full share of responsibility in any program adopted.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman)  
Executive Secretary.



May 8, 1944

Thomas Eugene West, Chaplain  
442nd Combat Team  
Camp Shelby, Miss.

Dear Mr. West:

In your letter to us dated March 25, you stated that the cut we sent you of one of your church services was being sent to your denominational press, and then would be sent on to us.

Would it be possible for you to check up on this, as we have not yet received the cut, and have more orders for "Beyond the Horizon" that make a reprinting necessary. Since it is essential that we have this immediately, as orders are waiting, we would appreciate your cooperation very much.

Please let us know at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

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May 8, 1944

Mr. Pat Frayne  
War Relocation Authority  
Barr Building  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Frayne:

When I asked Walt Gordon about the attitude of the man you referred to, he was sufficiently interested to climb into his car and cruise about talking to various men who have served under the official both in official and subordinate capacities.

His findings affirmed Walt's own impression, which was as follows.

- 1) The man in question has never taken any position which would indicate either a good or bad racial attitude.
- 2) His feeling seems to have been indicated, however, by his unwillingness to recognize the problem, and refusal to take any steps whatever to prevent inter-racial friction until forced to, either by pressure or circumstance.
- 3) He appointed no member of the largest minority to his large force.
- 4) Walt's conclusion was definitely unfavorable.

He sends you his regards.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj



May 8, 1944

Mr. Wm. C. Carr  
1360 W. Colorado  
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Mr. Carr:

Since we do not have a sufficient supply of "Beyond the Horizon" on hand to fill your order of May 6, I am holding your check for \$1.75, pending further word from you.

"Beyond the Horizon" should be available very soon, as it is on order at the printers. However, if it more convenient, I shall return the check, or taken the amount out in other material as you may desire.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MAY 9 1944

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
2234 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I was very much interested in the copies of correspondence between yourself, Miller Freeman, and Frank S. Bayley of Seattle. It seems to me that this sort of vigorous exchange of opinion is both healthy and helpful. We need people like Miller Freeman on our team.

Sincerely,

*D. S. Meyer*  
Director





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Attention: Miss Mary Jefferda.

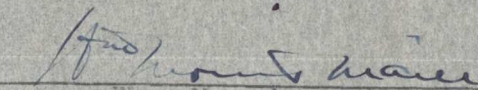
Gentlemen:

I fear we have owed you the enclosed check for a long time. The remaining 200 copies of Galen Fisher's article arrived a few days ago, and I am enclosing draft in the sum of \$30.00, covering 500 copies at 6¢ each. I trust this is the correct amount.

These booklets have been well circulated here and much appreciated.

I wonder if Galen Fisher had anything to do with the article in Fortune for April on the Issei-Nisei-Kibei.

Very sincerely,

  
Wm. Morris Maier  
Executive Secretary.



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May 9, 1944

Mrs. Ruth Kingman  
2234 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

We have seen and read a copy of "Beyond the Horizon" and would like to have you send us 100 copies if these are available. We shall be glad to remit when we receive them or know that you are sending them.

An advertising man, who is very able and on our committee here, suggests that if the pictures from which the cuts for this leaflet were made can be obtained along with copies of the leaflet, it is possible that one of our leading newspapers in this section might run all or at least part of the pamphlet with the pictures in their Sunday edition. If you can provide us with the pictures or perhaps two copies each of the pictures and at least a few copies of the leaflet, we shall be glad to try.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence Gillett*

Clarence S. Gillett  
Executive Secretary

CSG/KO



May 10, 1944

Mrs. Clarence S. Gillett  
521 E. Cook St.  
Santa Maria, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Gillett:

I am sorry to have no more copies of Yori Wada's "Beyond the Horizon" immediately available to send you, as the demand has far exceeded our original supply. However, I have made a note of your request, and will see that you receive some copies as soon as they come from the printers. I shall also send Mr. Gillett a copy at that time, since as far as I know, he has not seen the work.

If we can be of any assistance in providing any other material, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely yours,

Office secretary

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What is the deal?  
May 10, 1944

Mrs Ruth W Kingman  
Pacific Coast Committee On American Principles and Fair Play  
2234 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Mrs Kingman

Many thanks for the material which you sent me. I assure you that it was very gratefully received and I trust that I at least made some constructive use of it. Actually I have been doing a study on the Japanese in this country since their earliest history up until present times.

I trust that you shall keep me on your mailing list. May I suggest that you also put on your mailing list the President of the United States Student Assembly Chapter on this campus. If you would just address your envelope to the President of Connecticut College Chapter of the USSA I am sure that the material will be put to very good use.

The USSA as you may or may not know is a student organization and there are at present time chapters in thirty-one colleges in this country and more being started. The organization has a program which it carries out in the college community and always included is what Mr MacIver calls "the decent ordering or inter-group relationships." So, I am sure that anything you might be able to send them would be put into good use and reach the right people.

Very sincerely yours,

Louise Rosenstiel

L Rosenstiel  
Box 232  
Connecticut College, New London, Conn.

P.S. Any information I can give you on the USSA? Please don't hesitate to write me. I shall be on the west coast this summer and we are interested in cooperating with groups out there.



5/11/44  
[Signature]

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1419 North Rosemead Boulevard  
San Gabriel, California  
Telephone ATLantic 44580

10th May 1944

Dear Ruth or Office Secretary

My Co-ordinating Committee is sending "American Fighting Men Speak Out " and one or two other things to 80 or 90 Churches and Clubs in Pasadena area. We want to include in the envelop your fine two pages "Soldier and Civilian Ni/esi and Govt Policy Today and Tommorrow".

✓ Please rush to me c/o Mrs Thayer, 466 East California Street, Pasadena, 90 or 100 copies of the two page statement noted above. Thanks and Gracias.

Hastily but cordially ,

*Gale*  
Gale Seaman



Sent by  
Gale Seaman  
5/10/44

"What a pertinent time to place the imperatives of Walter Rauschenbusch before the people! Secular liberalism has failed utterly to cope with the corroding acids of our time. Walter Rauschenbusch answers the question, 'What doth the Lord require of thee?', with a respectable synthesis of prophetic social vision and priestly God-centered religion. It was under your direction at Asilomar that J. Stitt Wilson made me acquainted with Rauschenbusch".  
—Dr. DWAYNE ORTON, International Business Machines Corporation

For Serious Attention -- Members and Friends of Rauschenbusch Fellowship:

- 1) Within a few days members and friends of our Fellowship will be at the Atlantic City N.B.C.--a Convention destined to become historic. The Christian Century says--"the eyes of the entire Christian Community in this Country are fixed on the coming meeting of Northern Baptists. Decisions to be reached there will have significance for all Protestantism". Evidently heavy responsibility for clear thinking, earnest prayer and courageous action rests upon all our Fellowship and all the delegates. PLEASE let your "far away" chairman urge each member present to make place in the crowded busy Convention days for matters of our small, but extremely important Rauschenbusch Fellowship....such as, (a) locating definite responsibility for establishing 8 or 10 new Chapters in strategic centers during the next few months. Ulyss Mitchell promises such action in the San Francisco Bay Area. (b) the extent of our co-operation with the United Christian Council for Democracy. This Council appears to be increasingly effective. (c) how we can actively strengthen our Baptist Council on Christian Social Progress. (d) possible closer co-operation with the Roger Williams Fellowship as two of our nationally known members suggest. (e) election of R F leaders for the coming year, preferably centrally located and with time and desire to give real leadership. (f) Remind the "brethren" of annual one dollar dues, etc.
- 2) A well known West Coast Poly Sci professor, now a "conciliator" with the Federal Department of Labor, writes, "I'd like to know more about the Rausch. Fel.--what is it, what precisely does it stand for and so on"? This prompts me to say that exchange of thought with a few of our members convinces me we should at A.C or through a Committee consider a re-statement of our R F purpose. The first two paragraphs are excellent. Could arabic points 1 and 2 be joined and then other frontiers for our social action be added to the economic one--possibly education against alcohol, more intelligent collaboration between Church and organized Labor and surely World Order on a just and durable peace basis.
- 3) All who have not done so will be greatly rewarded by reading, "The Races of Mankind" by Benedict and Weltfish (10¢ booklet, Public Affairs pamphlet No. 85), "American Fighting Men Speak Out" (10¢ booklet published by Committee on Fair Play - 2234 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley, Calif.) and "The Return to Christianity", by Nels Ferre (\$1.00, Harpers). On page fifty he says: "We may have to start with prophetic individuals who can lead because they know how to follow the only true light. We may have to have live cells of Christian community springing up like oasis in our parched churches. These intensive groups of Christian fellowship will prescribe for themselves ways of walking together that spring of a burning concern for people in all their troubles and sorrows". Pages 39, 48, 51 and others are equally stimulating. A Phi Beta Kappa friend to whom I loaned the little volume brought it back in a few days saying he had read it twice.
- 4) Would we agree that aside from inhuman war itself the major social issue for American Churches is Christian, democratic assimilation of racial minorities? The Negro is demanding and going to get more respect, appreciation, justice and fair equal treatment. With 10,000 Japanese-Americans in Armed Service is it not high time we are "stabbed awake" to the injustice of keeping their families behind barbed wire in desert Camps? The nation is being robbed of needed manpower, the Constitution is being violated and big serious questions are being raised with other minority groups which may plague us in the future. There is plenty of evidence that the Government and War Department are ready and eager to release these Japanese-Americans as fast as public opinion will support, with freedom to locate on the West Coast or where they may desire. Secretary Ickes has spoken courageously on this matter. Surely we will support him and the Government agencies serving the evacuees in every way we possibly can. Writing personal letters and getting others to do so to the President, Secretary Harold Ickes and to Secretary Stimson urging the early release of all these war victims and quite particularly agreeing to sponsor one or more families in our communities will help tremendously. See FORTUNE for April for exceptionally valuable material on this big troublesome issue. Friends at A.C should urge the Resolutions Committee to speak decisively on this super-important social question...as we are informed the Methodist, Presbyterian and other Assemblies are doing. Thank you.

Gale Seaman, Chairman  
1419 N. Rosemead Blvd., San Gabriel, Calif.

May, 1944



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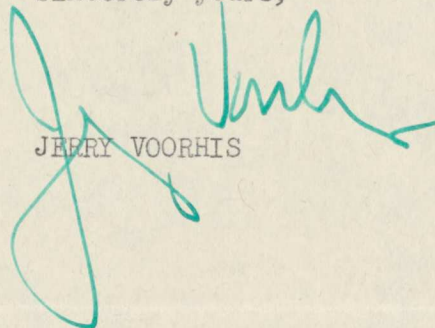
May 10, 1944.

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I was very glad to receive the pamphlet entitled "American Fighting Men Speak Out" which you enclosed with your letter of April 27th.

Sincerely yours,

  
JERRY VOORHIS



May 11, 1944

Mr. Lawrence Norrie  
M.M.C.A.  
South Hope Street  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Larry:

I took the liberty of phoning the Area office in San Francisco this morning, asking the secretary there to put down a tentative date for you--- to have lunch with me there at the Y. on Monday, May 16, at twelve o'clock.

There are very interesting developments coming into the picture, and if things go as they may, I want your cooperation and advice, neither of which can be gone into by correspondence.

I know of your heavy schedule because of the Centennial, but I do wish to get you in on this thing, as soon as is possible.

Cordially yours,

(Ruth K. )





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# The ROOSEVELT

MADISON AVENUE AT 45TH STREET  
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

May 11, 1944.

Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Secretary  
Pacific Coast Committee  
American Principles and Fair Play  
465 San Francisco Street  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Upon my arrival here I had a letter from Ambassador Grew and I am immediately making a copy of it and forwarding it to you.

I request that copies of this be at once mimeographed and circulated among the members of your committee.

I will be east for about six weeks and expect I will go to Washington where I will endeavor to have a visit with Ambassador Grew. There has been a good deal printed in newspapers and magazines regarding statements made by him and I am going to make an effort while east to go into this fully, as I think it should be thoroughly cleared up.

In this morning's mail I had a letter from Randall Gould, Editor of the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury, copy of which I am attaching, in which I call attention to the position he takes.

Sincerely yours

*Miller Freeman*  
Miller Freeman.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington

May 2, 1944.

Dear Mr. Freeman:

I have before me your letter of February 29, 1944, in which you say:

"I am glad to have my impression corrected that you are in favor of upholding the doctrine of the divinity of the Emperor of Japan."

Today there has come to me a copy of your letter of January 24, 1944, to Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Secretary of the Pacific Coast Committee for American Principles and Fair Play, in which you state in paragraph five:

"I disagree with the doctrine being enunciated by Ambassador Joseph Grew that this Nation should uphold and exert its official influence to support and maintain the principles of the divinity of the Emperor of Japan."

Permit me to say emphatically that I have never, directly or indirectly enunciated the doctrine that this nation should uphold and exert its official influence to support and maintain the principles of the divinity of the Emperor of Japan. I have never believed in and do not now believe in such a doctrine. I emphatically agree with your statement to Mrs. Kingman that "we can only insure peace in the Pacific by the wiping out of the Fascist gangsters who control the Japanese Government", and I have publicly expressed this opinion all over the country.

In view of the fact that Mrs. Kingman has had printed copies made of your letter to her of January 24 and has circulated such copies to the members of the Pacific Coast Advisory Board on the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, among whom I find the names of personal friends, I trust that in all fairness you will consider it proper to inform Mrs. Kingman of the fallacy of your statement to her under reference and to request her similarly to inform those persons to whom she circulated the copy of your letter. It will be appreciated if you will send me a copy of your letter to Mrs. Kingman and if you will let me know in due course whether Mrs. Kingman will take the suggested action.

Yours truly,

Joseph C. Grew (Signed.

PS It may not be out of place to say that some of my public remarks have been misreported and radically distorted in some sections of the press.

J. C. G.



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American Edition

THE SHANGHAI ~~EVERING~~ POST & MERCURY

101 Fifth Avenue

New York3, N Y.

May 2, 1944.

Mr. Miller Freeman  
Miller Freeman Publications  
124 West Fourth Street  
Los Angeles 13, Calif.

Dear Mr. Freeman:

Your correspondence with the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play has interested me a good deal. In general, I agree with your point of view on all points save for the matter of the Japanese Emperor.

You may feel that I am looking for a fight when I bring up the question, but I would like to side step any real controversy because of my honest opinion is that we should not get too much committed on any such detail. I certainly don't think I am pro-Japanese in saying that I do regard that as a detail. We ought to be smart about whatever we do. If it turns out to be smart tactics for us to employ the Emperor as an instrument towards settling this Japanese question in its past war phases, I think we would be very silly to be so committed to a "hang the Kaiser" type of psychology that we had our eyes shut to every other possibility.

So far as I personally am concerned, I have no tenderness whatever for the Emperor and will subscribe gladly to the theory of doing away with the whole exclusion of the Japanese throne if at the proper time we find that is the best way to achieve our purposes. As one who has been in and out of Japan quite a bit, however, I feel that we have quite a complex situation on our hands in diverting the course of the surviving Japanese after this war is over and it doesn't seem to me intelligent for us to plan now for every detail of our future course.

Right now the big job is to give Japan a complete and thorough beating with no details left out. The next step, as I see it, will be to knock out the military clique and every vestige of the military machine. If I were completely sure that the Emperor is to be regarded as part of this, I would wholeheartedly join in the idea of doing away with the throne. But I think that in common with a good many others who know something of Japan first hand, the situation is a little more complex to me than it seems to some others -- including, as I quite realize, some but not all who have lived in Japan.



Mr. Miller Freeman

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May 2, 1944.

You worry me a little in your letter to Mrs. Kingman when you favor excluding the quota of inhabitants from Manhattan Island. Having lived in China or the Philippines most of my adult life, I happen never as yet to have voted for president. Now you make me wonder whether I am even going to be able to enter the United States at all! That is something of a blow to one who is in New York only for the purpose of making a living and who has been looking forward to eventually living a real life somewhere on your own Pacific Coast. I hope you may reconsider.

You told Mr. Leaf a while back, as I recall, that you would be in New York one of these days. Don't forget that I want to have you for at least a lunch while you are here. I am sure it will be a pleasure to meet you and a good thing for a little polishing of wits with anybody with your flow of ideas.

Sincerely

Randall Gould, Editor

Signed.



May 26, 1944

Mr. Miller Freeman  
71 Columbia St.  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Freeman:

In response to your letter of May 11, we are sending out copies of Mr. Crew's letter to all of our members who received copies of the original correspondence between you and this office. Under separate cover we are sending you 200 additional copies for you to send to any other persons who received the earlier letters.

Thank you very much for a copy of the letter from Mr. Maudslough, Editor of the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury. His attitude, as expressed in this letter, seems quite realistic and sound.

I am also including copies of my letters to Mr. Crew, and to our members.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj





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May 11, 1944

Mrs. Harry Kingman, Secretary  
Pacific Coast Committee on American  
Principles and Fair Play  
2234 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Enclosed is an advance copy of Carey  
McWilliams' pamphlet, What About Our Japanese-  
Americans?. Publication date is May 21.

We think Mr. McWilliams has done a  
beautiful job with a Public Affairs Pamphlet  
that is greatly needed at this time.

Won't you let us know, as soon as  
possible, your Board's decision concerning  
use of this important discussion in your  
organization's program?

Sincerely,

*Eleanor R. Murrell*  
Eleanor R. Murrell

Enclosure

*At the present unit, it does not  
conform to a further  
needs.*



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THE ROSENBERG FOUNDATION

177 POST STREET

SAN FRANCISCO, 8 CALIF.

May 11, 1944

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I am enclosing the clipping of which I spoke to-day and also a reprint from the Bulletin of the Conference.

You will see the outline for the Minorities Section on Page 13. We have to telescope the discussion on Migrants and Newcomers in with that on Minorities but are going to do it by having Laurence Hewes talk about the Mexican migrations as well as the negro newcomers.

*X* We are asking representatives of the minority races, speak for five minutes on the problems confronting their countrymen here. Then we'll have the groups whose programs are supposed to meet those situations.

If you could, by assuming both roles, read parts of this clipping and explain that the Committee had thought of asking Larry you could then in your own capacity present your program. I would like very much to do something which would not omit the Japanese but would also conform to the decision of the Planning Committee of the Conference. It is a compromise, I realize, but the Conference is not ready to carry the ball to this extent. Later, with the strength of the agencies behind it, I think we can do something helpful.

Allen Blaisdell is to be the moderator so you can discuss this counter proposal with him. If he agrees with me that it would serve a purpose I shall be very grateful to you.

Sincerely yours,

*Leslie W. Ganyard*  
Leslie W. Ganyard.

*Please excuse my sloppy typing!*



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May 11, 1944

Mrs. Ruth Kingman  
2234 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley, California

Dear Ruth Kingman:

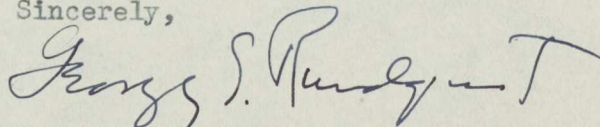
Enclosed are copies of several letters which recently appeared in Philadelphia newspapers. I was in Washington on Monday and learned that letters addressed to the Secretary of War and Mr. Ickes are coming in in respectable amounts, at the ratio of about five to one in our favor, expressing interest in the return of the evacuees to their former homes.

For your information only, I understand that the Cabinet will be meeting this week, at which time the matter of the return of the evacuees will be brought up for the attention of the President by the Secretary of War.

The recent protest against the opening of a hostel in Brooklyn and the statement of Mayor LaGuardia concerning Japanese Americans have resulted in a rallying of the forces of decency to denounce the Mayor's opposition, and have obtained for the hostel the support of many substantial citizens who otherwise would not have concerned themselves in this particular problem.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



George E. Rundquist  
Executive Secretary

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Encs.



May 15, 1944

Mr. George Rundquist  
Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans  
297 Fourth Avenue  
New York 10, New York:

Dear George:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 11, enclosing copies of the letters which have recently appeared in Philadelphia newspapers. I had seen only the PM letter, and of course was interested and encouraged in reading the others.

Doubtless you receive the News Bulletin sent out to WRA people. This seems to me to be the nearest thing to a comprehensive coverage of the national press, that I have yet seen. John Baker is evidently doing a good job at the task of keeping the staff, at least, informed.

I shall naturally be most interested in the outcome of the Cabinet meeting scheduled for this week. I have known that it was awaiting the President's return, and now that he is back on the job, something might be expected to merit "reporting" before very long.

Very cordially yours,

P.S. Hugh Landrum has a lot of copies of the enclosed sheet ---  
Would you be interested in some for the Middle West or East?



WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON

May 11, 1944



Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
2234 Telegraph Avenue  
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

"American Fighting Men Speak Out" with clear and stentorian voice. The pamphlet is swell!

We have one in the works to be called "Nisei in Uniform", a picture pamphlet showing soldiers in different branches of the Army, including (we hope) some of the WACs. The War Department played ball in beautiful style in developing the pamphlet.

Cordially yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John C. Baker". The signature is written over the typed name and title.

John C. Baker  
Chief, Reports Division