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[Feb, 1945]

Dear Miss Halliday--

I'm sorry this got detached from the other lists.
We surely appreciate your letting us use them.

Sincerely,

Margaine Noble

Friends of the American Way

February 20, 1945

Attorney General Robert W. Kenny
State Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Kenny:

The enclosed names of people at Fowler, Selma, and Fresno may be helpful to your investigators and could furnish the names of other friendly persons interested in fair play for the Japanese evacuees.

Mrs. John Hoiem
Armstrong Avenue
Rt. 1, Box 171
Fowler, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Kellogg
Box 453
Fowler, California

Mr. Lowell Pratt, Editor
Selma Enterprise,
1732 Tucker St.
Selma, Calif.

Mr. Harry Hoegh
Selma, Calif.

Prof. Hubert Phillips
Fresno State College
Fresno, Calif.

Dean Mary C. Baker
Fresno State College
Fresno, Calif.

I look forward to a good visit with you when you return north.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

GER:ech

February 21, 1945

Mr. Warren Smith, Program Secretary
Y.M.C.A.
813 West 167 St.
Gardena, California

Dear Mr. Smith:

Your letter of February 5, to Mr. William C. Carr
was forwarded to us, with your order number 673.

The copies of "Ben Kuroki's Story" which you requested
have been sent. The cost is \$1.75 for twenty-five
copies.

If we can be of any further assistance, please do not
hesitate to call on us.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

February 21, 1945

Mrs. Richard G. Godfrey
62 Brattle Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Godfrey:

With reference to your letter of January 10, please excuse this delayed reply. I have sent out a tracer for the material, and hoped to have heard something concerning it. I ordered it sent on to you in the event it was recovered.

Please let me know if you have received it now, and if you have not, I shall be happy to duplicate the order.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

February 21, 1945

The American Council on Race Relations
32 West Randolph Street
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

We are interested in obtaining a directory of the various organizations concerned with minority problems in the communities of the West Coast. We understand that such a directory is being compiled by your office.

Would it be possible for us to obtain this material?

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

reply
3/9/45

American Council on Race Relations

32 West Randolph Street • Chicago 1, Illinois

March 3, 1945

Miss Constance Halliday, Secretary
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street, Room 203
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Miss Halliday:

In answer to your letter of February 21, you are quite right that a directory of all the organizations concerned with minority problems is being compiled. The work on this is being done at Fisk University for the Council and we hope it will be published within the next few months. I have only single copies of the preliminary material in the office here. This, I believe, would be of questionable value to you.

If for your purposes you must have such information as is available before the directory is published, perhaps you could tell me more concretely what information you need. I will be glad to get whatever I can for you.

Very truly yours,

Mary Jane Grunsfeld

Mary-Jane Grunsfeld
Director, Clearing House

March 9, 1945

Miss Mary-Jane Grunsfeld
Director, Clearing House
American Council on Race Relations
32 West Randolph Street
Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear Miss Grunsfeld:

Thank you for your letter of March 3. We do not need the directory immediately, but would appreciate receiving a copy of the work when it is completed.

If you will add the name of the Fair Play Committee to your mailing list for this, we will appreciate it.

Thank you.

Very sincerely yours,

Constance Halliday
Secretary

reply
3/15/45

Mrs

Ella Londerich

Tropic, Utah, Feb. 21, 1945

Dear Mrs Kingman:-

Boy now Walter is soon landing in Italy, I remain here. I had to give up my cozy apartment and move back to the room I had in Block 2. I feel somewhat lonesome here, but I am up to my ears in work with my drawings.

While in Salt Lake city I was to the Salt Lake Tribune showing my sketches, and they were very eager to publish some, I think 4. I made a little story around

every picture. No city can be more
bitter toward the Japanese people
than S. L. city
right now, therefore it certainly
surprised me that their interest was
so great. I am now looking for the
same interest in the east and I have
contacted friends who know newspaper
men. I know that you are a great
friend of the Japanese people and
I therefore want to have your opinion
if you think I could get interest from
San Francisco? Do you have
any connections there, with whom
you could consult about the matter.

(2)

I am far from ready with
all but I could make a interes-
ting page with those I have.

It takes 1-2 months sometimes to
as I work on several at the same time
get a drawing ready. The living in

block 2 is in a way hard with a
small baby, the wind is strong,
the cold ^{is} bitter.

I was very glad when the directn
asked me today to make a
little exhibit for Dillon Mayer,
who is here. So I am trying

to fix up my studio the best I can.
I am nervous until I know if
he thinks they are of interest for
W.R.H.

We certainly enjoyed the evening
we had together. I was rather
ashamed taking a whole evening
of your short stay here. Mr Matsumoto
was in San Francisco recently.

Please let me hear your opinion.
You know what would be best to do.
Most affectionately yours
Ella Henderson

March 15, 1945

Mrs. Ella Honderich
Topaz,
Utah

Dear Ella,

Your letter came while I was on my vacation, and as I had requested that my mail not be forwarded, I have only just got "at" it.

It must be lonely without Walter, but with the baby and your classes and your sketching, you undoubtedly keep very busy.

I have called several people about your sketches. The best potential placement would be the San Francisco Chronicle. In talking with one of the Editorial assistants--in fact the one who does all of the Oriental and domestic -Oriental pieces, I received the same reaction as from the other, less interested persons.

It seems that since the Exclusion Order has been lifted, and a quiet return of some of the evacuees has been effected, most of the interest has died down, or is being kept out of the public eye.

Last year Mine Okubos' things (which have far less appeal to most people than do Ella Honderich's!) had quite a wide showing here, but I simply can't get people to consider the Centers as anything but "Dead Ducks" now. Sketches of the prison camps in the Philippines are more in vogue, and we can't do much about it. I wish I could be of some use in getting your things shown, as I loved them.

It was so good of you to have me in your home with Mr. and Mrs. Matsumoto. I regretted missing him while

Mrs. Ella Hondrich

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he was here, but I was on vacation and didn't know that he was around.

I'm going to Washington, D. C. in a couple of weeks and wish that I could talk to a lot of you people in the Centers before I go--there is much I should know before I can do the thing I hope to be able to accomplish.

I hate to be unable to make any definite suggestions about your sketches. They are so good.

Did You ask Dillon Myer about use by W.R.A.? I'd be glad to suggest it to him when I see him in a couple of weeks--we're very good friends, and it might help.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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American Council on Race Relations

32 West Randolph Street • Chicago 1, Illinois

February 21, 1945

Mr. George E. Rundquist
Acting Executive Secretary
Pacific Coast Committee on
American Principles and Fair Play, Inc.
465 California Street, Room 203
San Francisco 4, California

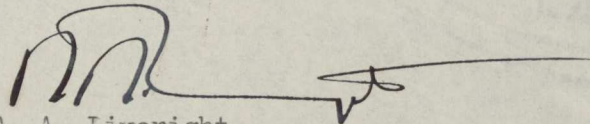
Dear Mr. Rundquist:

I, too, am exceedingly sorry that we were not able to get together while I was in San Francisco. I certainly hope that you will stop in to see us again when you are passing through Chicago.

Also, many thanks for your very complete and unvarnished description of the program and activities of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play. As Larry may have indicated to you, I was somewhat concerned about several aspects of the program for the relocation of Japanese and therefore am most encouraged to hear that you and Larry are going to get together in an effort to tighten up the program, division of work and major points of emphasis.

Although I plan to be East during the first week of March, will be back in the office fairly steadily thereafter and look forward to seeing you on one of your visits.

Very truly yours,



A. A. Liveright
Executive Director

Topaz, Utah
February 22, 1945

reply 3/10/45
Dear Ruth,

Had a letter from "down under". Everything is under control! (What a code ours!)

Yours truly swelled with pride when she read of the meeting you made arrangements for in San Francisco recently. Your name graced the list given me by Mrs. Henry Takahashi (who was there just before Christmas) of those people who could be relied upon to assist the former California Japanese residents.

The best stenographer in our office, Chiyeke Nagareda, age 21, has high hopes of returning to California. She would like to work for 6 months and then enter the University of California to work for all the necessary expenses. Her problem at the present is to decide whether she should take a degree in Business Administration, ~~or~~ in Library Science, or Social Welfare. I have sent for standardized aptitude tests to aid us in making the decision. They are not conclusive, but are indicative. Here are some of the reasons that the problem is so difficult:

1. She gets no assistance in "mastering" the English language at home. Both her parents speak Japanese practically exclusively. Even the little 3-year old brother can hardly understand the simplest things in English. I should also tell you that there is a difference of 17 years between Chiyeke and this 3-year~~old~~ old brother. There is a year old baby too. And, my dear, Chiyeke can hardly ever go out in the evening as her mother says that she keeps the children all day. Some mom, huh?
2. C---- takes letters in shorthand from the others in the office and makes a rough draft for me to check. This came of my interest rather than criticism of her work. I sent home for my set of "The Self-Teaching Course in Practical English and Effective Speech"--- Better Speech Institute of America--- for her to use. I have also lent her the latest text used at Columbia University & one of my alma maters) in the teaching of Gregg Shorthand. It builds up a vocabulary---starting with the most used etc.

Later: February 24, 1945

To continue: Frankly ; I was burned up over the continual talk of her inability when nothing---nothing whatsoever--- was being done to train her. (The old WAAC training urge coming out! As Director of Training ~~ing~~ for the WAAC Units in the 8th Service Command I was given the War Manpower Commission's training course and instituted it in our WAAC Detachments in the five states.)

3. Chiyeke herself knows what a problem confronts her but she is so ambitious, I have no misgivings whatsoever in her ability to stick to her resolve to get a college education .

Ruth, as director of activities in this girls' summer camp in Texas, I have seen this type at every age level--- middle aged parents etc. but this language bloc presents a new facet. Your understanding, which has come from knowing the Oriental mind, should be of untold value in this particular case. It is one thing to have family support as you and I have had but it is another thing not to have any and such is this ~~girl~~ girl's plight. However, the parents are willing for her to go to school if she can work out all expenses.

Miss Eleanor Girard, student adviser here, has talked to her and I am ethical enough to have told her to go to Miss Gerard. I am so interested though that I want her to get the best possible. Don't you know of someone there who could give her a job within the next month or so at which she could work till the July semester? One on the campus itself would do as she would then have the opportunity to acquaint herself with a college campus.

The last letter I had from Mary-Agnes was from the Phillipines. With Iwo Jima haven been invaded, it looks like it will now be just a short time till the China coast will be in the picture. How is the daughter liking the present set-up? Hope she will be hearing something definite pretty soon and I think she will if I remember our old ~~tech~~ technique: I can't but-----someone who will.

Thanks again~~x~~ for the assistance you tried to give us at Christmas time.

Here's hoping the best for you and yours.

Most sincerely yours,

Frances

Frances E. Mc Cluskey

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Sopy Utah

March 16, 1945

Miss Frances E. McCluskey
War Relocation Authority
Topaz, Utah

Dear Frances:

Having talked at length with several persons re your friend Chiyeko Nagareda, the general consensus of opinion lies in this direction:

- 1) As few employers or office managers are willing to employ stenographers sight unseen, and particularly in view of Chiyeko's language difficulty, it seems advisable that she come out here to undertake office work calling for the use of skills other than those ordinarily assigned to professional stenographers, i.e. - she might do typing, filing, etc., and work into full stenographic status as her facility in English develops.
- 2) Few employers will engage a typist for less than a six months period.
- 3) The best (and so far as I know, the only) jobs listed are those which have been posted in the centers - mostly offered by Government agencies, at \$1400 plus, as salary. The catch is housing.
- 4) Although there is some uncertainty involved, there is almost an assurance of a subsistence from typing available on campus. I talked with the University's Bureau of Occupations this morning, and was told that such work is almost always available.
- 5) There is a college professor near campus who is offering a room and breakfast for nine hours

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typing per week. I've a very definite hunch that Chiyeko could get enough work by the hour on campus to take care of herself for the other two meals.

There are plenty of board and room jobs open to students-- room and board plus \$10.00 per month for three hours house work per day. This is the "going" wage for all such students jobs, and is customary in Berkeley.

This could apply to Chiyeko even before entering Cal, if she expects to enter later.

All of which adds up to very little specifically; other than that she'll have to get out here before getting a real job--real jobs aren't available for less than a six month period, or she can do a board and room job.

Typists jobs are listed in Topaz, I understand, so she can get information there.

If there is anything I can do after she decides what she wants, to try, I'll be glad to do what I can--but I'm off to Washington, D. C. in ten days or so for two - three weeks, so tell her to think hard!

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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February 23, 1945

Mr. Harold Fiatare, Area Supervisor
War Relocation Authority
Room 309 - Walker Building
1306 2nd Avenue
Seattle, Washington

Dear Harold:

Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Secretary of the Committee will be available for several weeks after March ten for the purpose of effecting a Washington Committee.

She would like you to get together with Miss Ann Madsen and decide exactly what you want her to do so that she can start moving as soon as she gets into town. I am going to ask Bob Cozzens to get transportation for her as soon as you let us know what date you will be free to work with her.

I suggest you send a night letter after you have cleared with Ann Madsen about the time that you will be ready to work with Mrs. Kingman.

Fred Ross has been getting around. Frances is due with the baby the end of next week.

I am sorry that it has not been possible for me to spend some time with you. I plan to return East early in March. Maybe the Gods will smile upon me, and it will be possible to come out again. In that event, I might get up your way.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

GER:ccn

February 23, 1945

Mr. Ben Landis
Federal Council of Churches
297 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Ben:

Dr. Paul Taylor, professor of agricultural economics at the University of California, has told me something of the inside story of the Central Valley and Hetch Hetchy water project. I think the Federal Council and Town and Country committee would be interested in knowing more about this matter.

Will you send me several copies of the Town and Country magazine and any Federal Council information service issues which deal with agricultural problems as I'd like Paul to know more about our concern for these small independent farmers.

It is quite possible that Paul could be co-opted as a consultant or member of any group within the Federal Council which is primarily concerned with the problems of the small growers. Will you write me air-mail to the above address.

I shall be leaving for the East somewhere around the 7th or 8th of March.

Sincerely,

George L. Rundquist

GER:cch

Night Letter
sent: February 23, 1945

Miss Ann Madsen
Civilian War Commission
1404 $\frac{1}{2}$ 6th Avenue
Seattle 1, Washington

IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY SENT MATERIAL ON MAYOR'S COUNCIL ON
CIVIC UNITY TO MAYOR Z.S. LEYMEL, FRESNO, PLEASE DO AS I
EXPECT TO SEE THE MAYOR NEXT WEEK.

George Rundquist

February 23, 1945

Mr. Raymond Booth, Relocation Officer
1031 South Broadway
Los Angeles 5, California

Dear Raymond:

I assume you think you are too busy to write letters, but we'd like very much to know if Gracia would be interested in taking over Katherine Kaplan's job with the Fair Play Committee. Mrs. Kaplan was employed half time for which she received \$100.00 per month. Will you let us know immediately if Gracia is interested as we have to find someone to oversee the work of the Fair Play Committee in Los Angeles before Mrs. Kaplan leaves.

You are very fortunate to be in Los Angeles and away from the domination of the Regional Office as you no doubt have a freer hand to undertake the things that you believe ought to be done and which are not covered in the handbook of instructions. The red tape of Bureaucracy is certainly a wondrous thing.

Hope you are having lots of fun.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

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February 23, 1945

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Sometime ago, a request was made for a statement of transportation expenses incurred by P. G. McDonnell, in attending the meeting at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, last month.

Owing to the illness of Colonel McDonnell, the information requested was delayed. It is as follows:

Los Angeles to San Francisco	
day train	\$ 7.59
Return trip - night train	<u>16.18</u>
Total\$23.77

A voucher is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Bertha Keller

Bertha Keller
Executive Secretary

BK:jr
Enc. 1

February 24, 1945

Dr. Hubert Phillips
Fresno State College
Fresno, California

Dear Dr. Phillips:

I met Gilbert Jertberg on Wednesday and also ran into Molly Lohse. Jertberg felt that I might find it profitable to return to Fresno and try to tie in some loose ends and help the Mayor get his Committee started. Lohse said that he would call together a small group which meets together as an Economic forum to discuss the racial problems in Fresno and to consider what might be done to relieve the local tensions.

I spoke to Robert Kenny, the Attorney General, who is in Los Angeles, over the long distance phone about the situation below Fresno and I understand that several investigators from the State Department of Justice have arrived in Fresno on February 20, to investigate the situation.

It would be helpful to us up here in Berkeley to receive your suggestions about what ought to be done or rumors of local tension which might come to your attention, so that we could get in touch with the proper authorities and get them busy. Unfortunately, so many times we are not aware of trouble until it has broken out.

I will try to get to Fresno the middle of next week, but will let you know definitely when I can come.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

GER:ccn

February 24, 1945

Mr. Masaru Narahara, Chairman
New Grand Hotel
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Narahara:

Your telegram regarding the Conference to be held Wednesday, February 21, did not reach me until Tuesday morning, February 20. It was impossible to reach the conference in time.

I am sorry that it was not possible for me to be there. I hope that you were able to accomplish a good bit.

Thank you for your invitation. We will be happy to hear the results of the discussions.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

RWK:ccn

February 24, 1943

Dr. Mark Sawyer
Home Missions Council of North America
337 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mark:

Mrs. Kingman will return to the Fair Play Committee March 3. There are a few odds and ends to be cleaned up in Fresno which I will try to finish up before starting for New York.

Resettlement on the Coast is progressing slowly. There are a few hot spots, isolated so far, but intolerance is contagious and the need for community organization in rural areas is great. The cities will not be too difficult except for housing which is everybody's problem. The state officials in California are cracking down on those people they catch who are guilty of overt acts against returning Japanese, and they are pressing the local law enforcement officers to act immediately upon reports of trouble.

A copy of a letter sent to Mr. Crotty, chairman of the Los Angeles Fair Play Committee is enclosed for your information.

The Fair Play Committee is largely a front name citizens committee. The membership is not large or active. It has been effective because of the prominence of some of the members. The rank and file are largely liberal educators with a small sprinkling of clergymen and other intelligent liberals. Most of the members live in California. Its active mailing list numbers about 1000 and its contributing membership amounts to about 600 individuals. The staff consists of Mrs. Ruth Kingman, the Executive Secretary, and an office secretary in Berkeley, and a part-time secretary for the Los Angeles branch. Glen Fisher devotes a great deal of his time to the affairs of the committee as a consultant and has been the most active propagandist on the West Coast for the Constitutional rights of the evacuees.

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The Committee functions through a small inner council or kitchen cabinet which knows the members and how to use their influence and contacts for particular situations. For instance, when vice-President Monroe Deutsch of the University of California, who is a member of the kitchen-cabinet, was president of the Commonwealth Club, an invitation was extended to Sergeant Ben Kuroki to address the Commonwealth Club. On one occasion, it was important that a letter go to Governor Warren and a certain member, who was close to the Governor, wrote the necessary letter. At another time, President Sproul was prevailed upon to make a public address in Los Angeles.

In the main, however, the lion's share of the work has been carried on by Ruth Kingman and Calen Fisher. The Committee has gotten out propaganda in behalf of the Constitutional rights of the evacuees which their members and friends could use at the opportune time. Like many organizations made up of people of good-will, the Committee has operated on a shoe string and frequently it was difficult to get both ends of the string to meet. Several small grants from Foundations have helped them to carry on. The Committee does not have funds to do field work or to provide personnel for organization purposes.

Its primary function is to educate and inform the general public concerning the Constitutional rights of this particular minority group of citizens. It is not set up to render service to individuals who need service.

Although the churches on the West Coast, particularly the Protestant churches, have been vocal in their support of the rights of the Nisei to return to their former homes and have been outspoken in stating what they believe Christian attitudes should be, the assistance they have given and can give, is largely vocal. They are not prepared to aid in the organization of citizen's committees to deal with the problems of Japanese or other minorities. The Social and Case work agencies, have been cooperative and will do what they can within the range of the work of their agencies, but they are not in a position to finance staff people who might devote time to direct or work out an efficient and intelligent community program to ease the way for returning Japanese.

I found the ten days I spent in Fresno enlightening. It seems that the Constitutional rights of the evacuees are in the main supported by liberal educators and clergymen and a few of their followers, the so-called "do gooders," whose idealism and high principles are alright in the churches and schools, but which is quite impractical in the everyday world. These people believed that their influence in the community was discounted because of their known concern for the Japanese and other minority peoples.

*This is what
our friends
told me in
the public
attitude*

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What was needed they felt, was to get some of the hard-boiled practical business men concerned. I called on a number of the business and professional leaders and found that where they would not bestir themselves to do anything about the Japanese alone, I could interest them in the total racial problem, particularly as it affected their own community. Then I called upon the Mayor and discussed with him the advisability of appointing an official committee to consider the local racial problems and to take action to prevent open disturbances from developing. I've gotten word that the Mayor is ready to go ahead and the leading lawyer in Fresno thought I ought to spend a few days there and help the Mayor get the committee organized. Once the Committee is officially appointed, their first concern will naturally be the Japanese which is the most pressing problem.

The pattern of organization on the West Coast is quite different from that in the East where there isn't the violent, hysterical prejudice against the Japanese. Strong community leadership is needed, leadership that will command the respect of public officials and the general public. The job of securing this local leadership is the next step. Unfortunately, too few people capable of doing this sort of thing are available full time for this task. As you will note in the letter addressed to Mr. Crotty we are asking interested organizations to assign staff personnel for this purpose. The American Council on Race Relations has engaged one field representative for this purpose and is seeking one other, and the Conference on Christians and Jews would be willing to engage someone to work with the Committee for three months, but has not been able to find anyone. They are too short handed to release a member of their staff.

We are making use of the mailing lists of the Denominations, the Councils of Churches and other organizations which is about as much as we can expect them to do--get out literature and information.

I will not be able to get away from California until the 8th or 9th of March, so mail addressed to the Fair Play Committee will reach me.

Sincerely,

George E. Randquist

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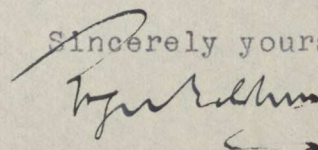
Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Pearl Buck sends me the enclosed from the "Hood River News" saying that she is getting this sort of stuff regularly. She asks whether the Civil Liberties Union cannot do something about the legal rights of Japanese-American property owners. Of course we can, but we are not in touch with any of them.

Your Committee doubtless has taken note of this exceptional local situation and is perhaps doing something about it. I should think that either counter action which you can stir up among your supporters, or legal action would both be possible.

We should be glad to undertake legal action at the appropriate time if we can get in touch with any of the owners. We will rely on your advice for that.

Sincerely yours,



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1920 — Twenty-five Years in Defense of Civil Liberties — 1945

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FOR JAPANESE SERVICE

Field Agency of the Home Missions Council

February 23, 1945

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

GORDON K. CHAPMAN
Room 207, Board of National Missions
228 McAllister Street
San Francisco 2, California

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Dr. Galen M. Fisher
No. 11 El Sueno
Orinda, California

Dear Galen:

Mr. Clarence Ernst, Secretary of the Yakima YMCA, very kindly called a meeting of the important members of the local Church Council of which he is chairman yesterday, and I had the privilege of discussing with them the desirability of a strong united set-up in connection with service to returning Japanese evacuees.

I learned at this meeting that there is no local Unity Committee and the Inter-racial Committee is largely made up of representatives of religious organizations. It would thus appear that we can best function in Yakima through the Church Council. They asked me for suggestions regarding services which they might well perform, and I told them that I would ask you to send them a copy of the outline which you prepared for such committees. I believe that it would also be well for the Fair Play Committee to send them a number of copies of the latest publicity material.

While Murray E. Stebbins, the local representative of the WRA, was able to attend the meeting, I have since conferred with him and he is already in close touch with Mr. Ernst and the other local leaders. Thus I think that you may assume that everything is all right in Yakima.

I am going on to Seattle today and have appointments in Portland from Monday night and will be back by Wednesday night unless there are ~~unforeseen~~ delays.

Very truly yours,

Gordon K. Chapman

Gordon K. Chapman

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P.S. You may send the materials to Mr. Ernst.

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COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Gertrude L. Apel, General Secretary

312 Old Times Building, Seattle 1, Washington

February 23, 1945

Rev. George E. Rundquist
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

Dear George:

Your letter from Berkeley has been received and I was glad to know that you are still on the job. I am enclosing copies of two actions which have been taken recently by our Seattle Council, one having to do with the Governor's statement, and the other, an action taken at our last meeting having to do with the re-establishment of denominational racial churches. Already there is a definite move under way on the part of both our Baptists and Methodists to put back into the picture the old pattern of denominational racial churches. This is, however, due to pressure coming from either national representatives or Boards and does not seem to be concurred in by our local leaders. I wish, if it were possible, for you to confer with Dr. Frank Herron Smith, our Methodist man in California, regarding the reestablishment of denominational racial churches, that you would do so, for it seems to me to be a rather ridiculous move in the light of the fact that we are so definitely committed to a policy of assimilating the Japanese who return as much as possible back into normal community life. We recognize, of course, that something will have to be done regarding the language churches, but here again, it would seem very wise to do this work on an interdenominational basis, for even prior to evacuation there was no self-supporting language church, and the outlay of missionary money involved can hardly be justified in light of the present total needs.

In regard to the nurse who returned to Harborview County Hospital and quit her job to return to Denver, there was little we could do about that particular situation. She seemingly was a girl who did not have sufficient backbone to stand some little criticism. An investigation so far does not reveal that there was any severe antagonism against her return. My own personal feeling regarding the situation is, of course, that some of the antagonism was created by her willingness to express too freely her own feelings to the press. More and more I am convinced that all of us get into much more difficulty by talking too much than any of us ever do by talking too little. We have not found that there was any antagonism on the part of any of the members of the Board of Directors and the general heads of the hospital seemed to express a willingness and a desire to cooperate in every way. We may not have all the facts in hand, but it would appear that

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Rev. George E. Rundquist - page 2

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at the beginning there seemed little objection to her return with the exception of a few individual nurses in the hospital. I am sure, however, that her newspaper comments did not help the situation and led to more severe criticism as time went on. It is most difficult to get actual facts on either side after a situation like that has been aired as much as it was in the public press. I am sure you know our attitude here in the Seattle Council and that we will do everything within our power to make the return of the Japanese people as easy as possible.

I shall be interested in knowing how things are developing in the California area.

With warm personal regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

signed

Gertrude L. Apel
General Secretary

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Vallejo Feb. 25 - 1945.
333 Coughlin Dr.
Vallejo, Calif.

Reply
OK 2/27/45
Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Kingman,

I would like very much to get other copies of "What We're Fighting For" for distribution here in Vallejo. I could use one hundred copies if you could spare that many. If not as many as you can spare. Our Vallejo Council for Civic Unity is holding a program next Thursday March 1, on the Japanese situation and if possible would like to have some copies of the above for distribution at that time. Charles Kikuchi, a former resident of Vallejo, now doing research work at U.C. will come to us for a short talk followed by discussion.

We were so sorry to hear that you have been over doing and under orders to rest. We will still hope to have you here some time. I hope you are getting the rest you need.

Very cordially.

Ruth W. Sears.

P.S. Send bill if any charge +
we will send you the money. R. W. S.

Straight Wire
sent: February 26, 1945

Hotel Californian
Fresno, California

RESERVE SINGLE ROOM AND BATH WEDNESDAY NIGHT FEBRUARY 28.
PLEASE CONFIRM RESERVATION.

George Rundquist
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

February 26, 1945

Mr. Donald C. Peattie
940 Mission Canyon Road
Santa Barbara, California

Dear Mr. Peattie:

So that we may more effectively prevent the crystallization of opposition to the returning evacuees we would like to hear of any situations where the temperatures are rising and where in your judgement there might be trouble. This will make it possible to get the proper State and Federal agencies on the job more quickly.

The members of the Fair Play Committee and other friendly people should keep their eyes and ears open for rumors of trouble and should report what information they have to the War Relocation Authority officer, but frequently we are in a position to do things that the W.R.A. cannot do. We suggest that you make a report to us also of any possible disturbances.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

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PACIFIC LUTHERAN COLLEGE

PARKLAND, WASHINGTON

February 26, 1945

reply
3/26/45

Mrs. Ruth Kingman
Secretary Fair Play Committee
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman;

I have heard through Miss Marguerite Lopez of Fresno, California, that your organization has a "Wealth of material" on the Japanese minority problem of the Pacific Coast.

I am an instructor in Political Science and History at Pacific Lutheran College. At present I am working on my Doctor's dissertation for New York University, at which institution I have completed all other requirements for a Ph.D. My subject is a special phase of this minority problem, with emphasis on the role of the school in its solution.

Could you let me know what background material your organization has on the whole Japanese minority question, and whether or not it would be possible to have access to this material? I should especially appreciate any bibliographic compilations.

Dr. Emil Lengyel, who heads my thesis committee at New York University, suggested that I contact both you and Miss Lopez.

I should deeply appreciate any assistance which you could give me. The whole issue, incidentally, is a very lively one here, as this is a center of the "Remember Pearl Harbor League" activities.

Very sincerely yours,

Michel N. Franck

Michel N. Franck

① Japanese in ~~California~~ American
Agriculture
Dept. of Agriculture Bibliographical
Bulletin (Hannaford + Cummings)

② WRA Biblio in Three Parts
Student Reloc. Council

March 26, 1945

Mr. Michel M. Franck
Pacific Lutheran College
Parkland, Washington

Dear Mr. Franck:

Mrs. Kingman has been away from the office and is now busy preparing to go East. She has asked me to reply to your letter of February 26.

The material which we use is not really "source" documentation. I am sending you, under separate cover, some of our own pamphlet material as well as the work of Mr. Galen Fisher and others which you may find informative and helpful.

Mrs. Kingman suggested that you might refer to: 1) JAPANESE IN AMERICAN AGRICULTURE, Dept. of Agriculture Bibliographical Bulletin (Hannefrund & Cummings); 2) W.R.A. BIBLIOGRAPHY IN THREE PARTS--Student Relocation Council.

There are some Ph.D. theses being written under Dr. Dorothy Thomas, of the University of California, on the various phases of the Japanese minority question, but this material is not yet available.

If we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

February 27, 1945

Mr. Walt Godfrey
483 East Villa
Pasadena 4, California

Dear Mr. Godfrey:

Under separate cover, I have sent you lists
of names of friendly persons up and down the
coast as you requested in your letter of Feb-
ruary 20.

Please return them when you have finished.

Thank you.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

Straight wire
sent: February 27, 1945

Gilbert Jertberg
Pacific-Southwest Building
Fresno 1, California

ARRIVE FRESNO WEDNESDAY NIGHT. WILL PHONE YOU THURSDAY
MORNING. REGARDS.

George E. Rundquist

February 27, 1945

Clarence S. Gillett
1052 West 6th Street, Room 726
Los Angeles 14, California

Dear Mr. Gillett:

At the suggestion of Mr. George Rundquist, I am forwarding the enclosed letter from Mrs. Yinger to you. Since she lives in Claremont, it was felt that your office would be in a better position to assist her and provide the information she seeks.

Thank you.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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February 27, 1945

Colonel P. G. McDonnell
Urban Military Academy
11600 Sunset Boulevard
Los Angeles, 24, California

Dear Sir:

Attached is check No. 232 in the amount of
\$23.77 covering your transportation to and from San
Francisco to attend the Conference meeting on January
10 and 11, 1945.

Yours very truly,

Harry S. Scott

cc: Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman ✓

February 27, 1945

Dr. E. C. Farnham
3330 West Adams Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

Dear E.C.:

Greetings! I've been stuck in northern California and am sorry that I shall not have the opportunity to visit you in Los Angeles before returning East. For the past month, I have been pinch-hitting for Ruth Kingman as secretary of the Fair Play Committee and have found the experience most valuable.

I believe you will find the enclosed letter from Gertrude Apel and the action by the Seattle Council of Churches interesting. The question about what to do with the segregated Japanese churches is causing a good deal of concern to the Home Missions Council and I believe that the Mission Boards policy re: these churches, will be influenced by the opinions of local ministerial groups and councils concerning this problem. If there has been any expression of opinion on this matter by the southern California Protestant Council and Ministerial Association in your area, I suggest that you send copies of such action to Mark Dawber so that he can bring such expressions to the attention of the Mission Board's secretaries.

From reports that we receive here, we understand that you people in southern California are doing an excellent job in developing friendly attitudes toward returning evacuees. You are fortunate in having the services of Raymond Booth of the War Relocation Authority. He has been one of the outstanding relocation officers.

I expect to be in New York about the 15th of March. I can be reached at this office until the 9th. When you go home tonight, won't you pass along to Mrs. Farnham my best wishes, of course, I wish you all good things.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

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February 27, 1945

Major General H. C. Pratt,
Commanding General,
Ninth Corps Area,
Western Defense Command
Presidio, California

Dear General Pratt:

I want to thank you for the pleasant
visit we had at lunch last Wednesday.

I hope to have an opportunity to say
"so-long" before leaving for my office in
New York the latter part of next week.

Sincerely yours,

George E. Rundquist

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February 27, 1945

Brigadier General William H. Wilbur
Chief of Staff
Ninth Corps Area,
Western Defense Command
Presidio, California

Dear General Wilbur:

I want to say thank you for your hospitality and the pleasant visit we had at lunch last Wednesday. It is always a pleasure to renew our acquaintance.

I am leaving tomorrow evening to spend a few days in Fresno and expect to return East ~~the~~ latter part of next week, but hope we may have another visit before I leave the West Coast.

Enclosed is a copy of the directive issued by the Twelfth Naval District, Chief of Staff, relative to returning evacuees. A similar order issued by the Western Defense Command would help bring about better understanding of the rights of these people.

Sincerely yours,

George E. Rundquist

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February 27, 1945

Dr. Mark Bawber
Home Missions Council of North America
297 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mark:

Enclosed is a letter from Gertrude Apel of the Seattle and Washington Council of Churches.

The action of the Council on February 19, is in line with the Home Missions thinking. You may want to send a copy of this action to the Mission Boards. I believe that this action expresses the thinking of most of the local churches on the Coast. The difficulty seems to be in the set up of the Japanese church within the Methodist Board. I spoke to Bishop Baker about this matter several weeks ago. He said that he, Frank Herron Smith, and Dr. Brown were giving careful consideration to the matter of the opening of Japanese churches, but I'd gather that they are guided by Smith's opinions.

I am going to send a copy of the Seattle action to other Councils and hope that it will be a guide for similar expressions from them. If enough Councils and Ministerial Groups respond this will strengthen your resolve to liquidate as far as possible segregated churches.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

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February 27, 1945

Mr. George Corwin
National Board, Y.M.C.A.
347 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear George:

I had a visit with Larry Norrie Saturday. He has gotten a secretary to aid on resettlement and to work in Tulalake, but unfortunately, his services are not available until a successor has been found to take over his work at Palo Alto.

We need help badly to aid in community organization, particularly in rural areas, to prevent crystallization of opposition to returning evacuees, and we need help now. Our hope is that interested agencies might lend personnel to work as members of the Fair Play Committee staff for at least sixty to ninety days to organize resettlement committees in vital areas. Larry is willing and anxious to do all that he can to aid in this project but the "Y" like all other agencies is short of staff and so I suppose we shall have to possess our souls in patience and be grateful that eventually we'll have another recruit to aid in the big job ahead.

On the whole, attitudes towards returning evacuees are not too bad. There are some bad spots like Hood River, Oregon, and Auburn, Washington, and also Auburn, California, where the opposition has organized. Our task is to beat hostile organizations by lining up responsible men and organizations to stand for the Constitutional rights of the returnees.

I believe that Mas Satow could do a good job of education in the West Coast Y.M.C.A.'s. He makes

Mr. George Corwin

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a good impression and if teamed up with a friendly Caucasian I believe he might influence some of the more conservative Boards to participate in local resettlement activities, and also help returnees identify themselves with the local "Y's".

For the past month I have taken over Ruth Kingman's work (Harry Kingman) as secretary of the Fair Play Committee and I've had fun sitting in on the show at this end. I'm afraid I haven't done Ruth much good as she will have to make up for my deficiencies when she returns from her holiday and thus work twice as hard.

I am returning East about March 15, and look forward to a good visit with you.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

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HERMANN HAGEDORN
Director, West Coast Office

West Coast Office
17 East Carrillo Street
Santa Barbara, California

February 27, 1945.

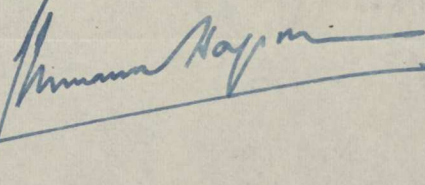
Dear George Rundquist:

I enclose a letter and a clipping which I know will interest you. You will note that I have sent similar material from Mrs. Moore to Dr. Fisher.

Is there anything you and your committee can do in the Hood River situation? Mrs. Moore has asked for numerous copies of the Wardens Folder and seems to be using them among her like-minded associates.

I am sorry we haven't been able to send you your 300 copies yet. The folder is out of print again, but I expect to have a new printing ready by the end of the week.

Cordially yours,



Mr. George E. Rundquist
Committee on American Principles
and Fair Play
Room 203, 465 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

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"All Within the Four Seas Are Brethren." — CONFUCIUS, *Analects*

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Hood River, Oregon, February 24 1945

reply
3/13/45
Mr Hermann Hagdorn
17 East Carrillo St.
Santa Barbara, California

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing the broadside being run in our papers for the week of February 23rd.

I am glad to note that you have forwarded the previous material to DR. Galen M Fisher of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

We are trying to bring about a local program of education on the obscure points of issue and publicity on such matters as the service records of our Japanese-American Service men and the decisions of the United States Supreme Court in such matters of Civil Liberties, as that of the case of Miss Endoe which is paramount to saying that all Japanese-Americans are unquestionably citizens and privileged to live where and when they chose.

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/// To this we must have items contributed from well known sources referenced so that no question may be raised. One of our Editors, /// namely Hugh Ball, Editor of the Hood River News has offered space on the editorial page for such work. I think most contributors of any importance will wish to send their material direct but in case you know of any wishing to channel the material through my hands, I should be glad to see that it is given proper space. We hope that it is a lack of factual knowledge that is behind this unAmerican propaganda rather than the intolerance it seems to indicate.

Sincerely

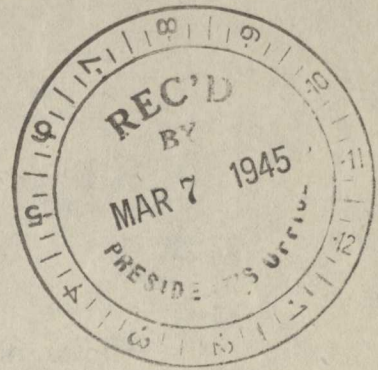
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Mrs Max L Moore

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February 28, 1945

Mr. Mas Sater
309 West Highland Boulevard
Milwaukee 8, Wisconsin

Dear Mas:

Thanks very much for sending me a copy of your report on the conference in Chicago. I have discussed the contents of the report with Bob Cozzens in San Francisco and will also make it my business to discuss this matter with Dillon Myer. Myer, I am sure, is not really convinced that he can close the camps the end of this year. He makes such statements for public consumption, but I don't see how it is going to be possible to force the people to move; particularly, since, as I understand, they were told when they went to Relocation Centers that the camps would be kept open for the duration of the war and six months. I have written

I have written George Corwin suggesting that you be sent out to the Coast to do a job of contacting local Y.M.C.A.'s, not only the secretaries, but Boards of Trustees so that the local "Y's" will participate wholeheartedly with others in the community in resettlement activities.

Outside of a few hotspots I believe that on the whole the chances for peaceful resettlement on the Coast are good. Our job, though, is to prevent the crystallization of opposition by the organization of friendly committees in every community. Lack of personnel and funds to hire personnel is a serious handicap, but local committees are being organized by concerned people in the various communities and I am sure that with personnel available for field trips, we could develop strong committees in almost every community that will support the rights of evacuees to return to their homes.

I have been occupying Ruth Kingman's desk as secretary of the Fair Play Committee for the month of February. She returns March 5. I am leaving tonight to effect a committee organization in Fresno and expect to start East March 9. My future plans are indefinite. It may be possible for me to return to the Coast a little later.

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Good luck to you and I hope that the National Board will see the wisdom of assigning you to the Regional offices on the Coast.

Sincerely,

George E. Rundquist

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT WITH

LEDERER, STREET & ZEUS COMPANY

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2121 ALLSTON WAY
BERKELEY, CAL.

Date February 28, 1945

Pacific Coast Committee On American Principles
and Fair Play
2234 Telegraph Ave.
Berkeley, 4, California

We have a credit balance
of \$9.70 on our books.

Please check your payment
of Jan. 10 and Jan. 22 nd

We believe they both cover
our invoice Dec. 30 #8291
for 1000 Letterheads,

Please advise if you wish
to apply this on your next
order or would you like
our check to cover.

[Above is a memorandum of your account as it appears on our books this day. We endeavor to send each customer a statement on the first of each month, simply for comparison of accounts. If NOT correct, please advise us at once. If account is NOT DUE, you will not consider this a DEMAND for payment, but if DUE, an early remittance will oblige us.]

March 9, 1945

Lederer, Street, & Zeus Company
2121 Allston Way
Berkeley, California

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your note of February 28, calling our attention to the duplicate payment which we made.

I think it would be best to send us a check to cover the amount. Make checks payable to the Fair Play Committee.

Thank you.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

CONGREGATIONAL
COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN DEMOCRACY

for Work with Japanese Evacuees

STEPHEN M. PRONKO
National Committee Chairman
6501 Wydown Boulevard
Saint Louis 5, Missouri

Western Office
1052 WEST SIXTH STREET, ROOM 726
LOS ANGELES 14, CALIFORNIA

CLARENCE S. GILLETT
Executive Secretary
Telephone
MAdison 2578

February 28, 1945

*Reply
3/6/45*

Miss Constance Halliday
Fair Play Committee
2234 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Miss Halliday:

Thank you for so promptly sending us the five hundred copies of Dr. Sproul's Address. We still find this a very useful leaflet.

A check for \$15.00 in payment is enclosed. If there are ways in which we can help you at this end of the line, don't hesitate to call on us.

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Very truly yours,

CSG:rmr
Enclosure

Clarence S. Gillett
Executive Secretary

Clarence Gillett

P.S. The enclosed copy of our letter to Mrs. Yinger will show what we have done regarding her request. You may be interested to know that Mrs. Yinger is the wife of the Pastor of the Claremont Church.

COPY

March 2, 1945

ATTENTION: MR. RUNDQUIST

Mrs. H. V. Yinger
441 Harvard Avenue
Claremont, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Yinger:

Your inquiry regarding taking a young woman or married Japanese couple into your home has been forwarded to us. We shall be more than glad to help in any way that we can.

Possibly it will simplify future plans, if we mention two or three things.

First of all, I think we should realize that there are many more positions ~~for~~ domestic help than for most other lines of work, and that the pay in some cases is simply astounding. Therefore, if we can find any one who would be suitable for you, it would have to be because of your being close to Pomona College and because of the peculiar desirability of being in your home and in the Claremont Community. It might be that a young woman interested in going to college would be just what you want.

A second thing is that as yet, comparatively few people are coming back from the relocation centers, and third, we must have as specific information as possible in order that it may be given to anyone who might be interested. I shall be glad to forward such information to one or two centers as well as to inquire here in the WRA office. With this in mind, we are enclosing two of our employment blanks which we would be glad to have you fill out in duplicate and return to us.

We are glad to know of your interest.

Very cordially yours,

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Enclosure

Clarence S. Gillett
Executive Secretary

C.C. To Mr. George Rundquist

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EMPLOYMENT
(For Japanese Americans)

Employer _____ Title _____
Man to see _____ Phone _____
Address _____

How many persons can you employ? _____

Man _____ Woman _____ College Student _____

Is it necessary that your employee be an American citizen? _____

Job Description:

Is Experience necessary? _____

Requirements, (training, etc. _____

Essential industry? _____

Hours _____ Wages or salary _____ Over time _____

Number of other employees _____

Is Union membership necessary? _____

Assuming mutual satisfaction, would this position be permanent? _____

Brief description of available housing _____

Remarks _____

Send to: Clarence Gillett
1052 W. Sixth St., Rm. 726
Los Angeles 14, California

March 6, 1945

Dr. Clarence S. Gillett
Executive Secretary
Congregational Committee on Christian Democracy
1052 West 6th Street, Room 726
Los Angeles 14, California

Dear Dr. Gillett:

Through some oversight the check in the amount of \$15.00 which was to be enclosed in your letter of February 28, was not enclosed.

Very sincerely yours,

Constance Halliday
Office Secretary

CONGREGATIONAL
COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN DEMOCRACY
for Work with Japanese Evacuees

STEPHEN M. PRONKO
National Committee Chairman
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LOS ANGELES 14, CALIFORNIA

CLARENCE S. GILLET
Executive Secretary
Telephone
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March 9, 1945

Miss Constance Halliday
Fair Play Committee
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Miss Halliday:

OK Evidently we failed to enclose our check for
\$15.00 in our letter of February 28. It is now
enclosed.

Sorry to have made this extra trouble.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence Gillett

Clarence S. Gillett
Executive Secretary

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Dear George:

Your letter interested me very much indeed. I am inclined to think that Mr. Hewes is right and that the best thing to do with the Hood River situation is to let the snake swallow its own tail. The action of the American Legion Post there in removing the names of its Japanese members who are in the armed services has already done more good than any amount of affirmative action which any group such as yours or mine could possibly do. Evil has a way of destroying itself, though I will admit that I see no signs of such a consummation in the most destructive of human enterprizes, which is War!

I appreciate your saying that you want us to send you a bill for the 300 folders when we ship them. That's a grand idea, and we certainly need the money. But I am not going to hold you to it unless it's perfectly all right. We are all working for the same cause. The fact is that the folders are fairly expensive. I always go on the theory that good printing pays. But it also costs. Even in their third thousand the folders run to \$4.00 a hundred.

So you are returning to the East! I shall miss you. Give my particular greetings to the chairman of your Committee, my good friend Deane Edwards.

Cordially yours,

Thanks for letting me see the copy of your letter to Pearl. He'll keep me up to date!

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