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July 1, 1945

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Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Ex. Sec.
Pacific Coast Committee on
American Principles and Fair Play,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I do not feel that the results of a survey by post card is adequate information upon which to hazard the future of the committee. I have been a member since the Committee was organized and have cooperated whenever requested. Yet I know very little about the organization, its program, or methods of helping. I believe this is because we have had no contacts with the organization except by letter.

The Press has seldom publicized its activities. Until the order for the return of the Japanese to this coast the Oakland papers suppressed any news of these evacuated people, or the exploits of their sons and daughters in service.

I feel that the use of the names of the outstanding citizens heading up this Committee gave much dignity and influence to such protests as were made. There was some cooperation with kindred and supporting organizations which was effective. I feel that as executive secretary, you have rendered excellent and valiant service in the behalf of this minority.

However, I feel that we, the members, have not been used as might have been done. Had we rendered voluntary service in behalf of these citizens, the work of the organization would have become better known and its influence more widespread.

More persons could have been given a sympathetic preparation for the return of the Japanese if we had had a Speakers Bureau. We could have decided upon the arguments to have been advanced by respective speakers; some taking their legal rights; others the Christian attitude toward fellow Christians; while others advanced the economic value of these intelligent, industrious people in the war effort. These with stories of their bravery in action, both as citizens facing evacuation and serving in the armed forces, might not have modified the opinions of the intolerant, but would have won those indifferent citizens, who believing in fair play still have to be prodded. We might have offered our speakers to the School Departments for Institute credit, to Luncheon Clubs, Women's Clubs, Church Women, Labor Groups, and kindred organizations who are always seeking speakers.

I was bitterly disappointed when this local problem of right attitudes toward the returning citizen of Japanese ancestry and the returning service people of the same minority was not presented at the Institute of International Relations. Had our Committee presented its request for representatives of this minority and their friends, as well as Government speakers, I feel sure it would have been granted. Certainly the one hundred twenty youths there attending the Student Conference would have benefitted by hearing ^{of the} young people of this minority and hearing first hand their problems and

aspirations and hopes. I am of the opinion Attorney General Aenny could have been prevailed upon to present the legal status of these citizens to the Institute with much profit to all.

We the members should be informed who are the returning Japanese and where they are locating that we might arrange welcoming groups, to assist in their settlement. Where this has been tried there have been less unpleasant incidents against them.

We might send out lists of occupations in which they were seeking employment, and the Free Employment number to call when we were in need of help, or wished to advertise the matter to our groups.

With this review of our passed activities and some suggestions as to further program, I suggest that we do not desert this group in the midst of their most trying time. We need to undergird a sympathetic teaching profession to reestablish Japanese children in our public school; help social agencies to furnish adequate recreation; and churches to set up religious training and participation with whites rather than in isolated groups.

Our Committee with its single purpose, already established and somewhat known now can act with these other agencies as a clearing house for information, programs, speakers and publicity. Until they are firmly established in their old homes, it ought to be our job to warn the public of the political and economic groups that seek to exploit these citizens, and suggest appropriate attitudes against such action.

I feel we should dissipate our strength and duplicate the work of other organizations by taking in all minorities. We can cooperate with all groups working in the interest of minorities. To do any less than we have been doing is futile and useless.

I have tried to be constructive in my criticism, and helpful in my suggestions. I am prepared to subscribe to the program financially and will contribute such time as I can after my school duties. This summer, after our vacation is over I will be available for any help you may need at the office. Again commending the sacrifice and effort you have made for the success of this organization, I remain,

Yours truly,
Edith West
Mrs. George F. West.

AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES

SAN FRANCISCO 4, CALIFORNIA

July 2, 1945

My dear Maurice:

I returned from Washington this past week-end, a few days earlier than I had expected, and although I would have liked to attend the meeting of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play this afternoon, I was faced with an extremely crowded calendar when I got back and simply could not add another meeting to my schedule.

I am particularly pressed for time these days in view of the plans which the Commission has for the sale of our Company stock, which involve a great many problems calling for constant attention.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mrs. Kingman for her information.

Always kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Henry F. Grady

Mr. Maurice E. Harrison
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Attorneys at Law
One Eleven Sutter Street
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cc: Mrs. Kingman

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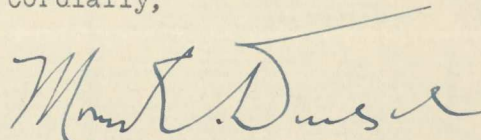
July 2, 1945

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Room 215
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Friend:

You will find enclosed the copy of a letter from Governor Warren in reply to mine urging that action be taken to protect Japanese Americans. The one thing that impresses me is that the Governor says nothing definite concerning his activities in the future, although in general terms he states that he will continue to do everything to see that their constitutional rights are protected.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Monroe E. Deutsch". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

Monroe E. Deutsch
Acting President

MED:A

Enclosure

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Governor's Office
Sacramento 14

June 26, 1945

EARL WARREN
Governor

Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch, Provost
University of California
Office of the President
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Deutsch:

Your letter of comment in regard to incidents which have taken place since Japanese-Americans have started to return to California has been received.

I have collaborated with the Army and the relocation authorities on this subject since the problem first arose and am doing everything that can reasonably be done to create a tolerant public opinion in connection with the problem.

I know that the Attorney General who is the chief law enforcement officer of the State and who has supervision over district attorneys and sheriffs, has used the facilities of his office to establish proper standards of law enforcement in connection with this problem. It must be remembered, however, that law enforcement in this state, except for the supervision of the Attorney General, is a matter of local responsibility. I have personally urged every Mayor and every principal law enforcement officer in the state to support the government and do his full duty in this situation and I believe most of them are trying to do their jobs.

I appreciate your writing in regard to the problem and want you to know I will continue to do everything I can to see that the Japanese-Americans have their constitutional rights protected.

Sincerely,

/s/ EARL WARREN

Governor

Copy for Mrs. Kingman

July 4th

My dear Mrs Kingman,

I didn't get the
post card enclosure, but
I will answer what I
think you probably asked.
I hope the present
organization ~~should~~ will
continue on a simplified
scale. I think we
should certainly ~~should~~
"stand by" if needed,
but the original purpose
namely - the direction
or adjusting of public

opinion. The acceptance
of the return of the
Japanese-Americans —
has been accomplished.
Certainly it hasn't been
perfect from the troubles
we read about in
rural areas, but in
this metropolitan area
they seem to be gradually
absorbed as they arrive.

I am sorry not to have
been of more help, but
in my own way I

have been inquiring
and ^{have} talked to many
persons and groups
about the dangers
of discriminating against
any citizen group -

Sincerely

Ethel C. Tall

Mrs Maynard Tall
414 So. Irving Blvd
Los Angeles (5)

(In reading this over)
I am ashamed of my
carelessness in hurrying!

7/5/45
[Handwritten signature]

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July 3, 1945

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary
Committee on American
Principles and Fair Play
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

With your mimeographed letter of June twenty-third, mention was made of a postcard-questionnaire to be filled out and returned immediately. It was not enclosed and Mr. Wanger would appreciate receiving one.

Thank you.

Cordially,

Hilma Keane

Secretary to Mr. Wanger

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David Prescott Barrows
85 Parkside Drive
Berkeley 5, California

July 4th, 1945.

My dear Mr. Harrison:

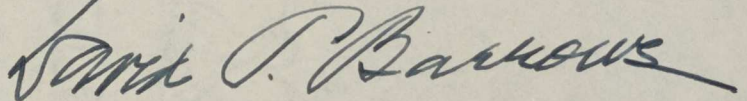
I much regret my absence from the meeting of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play which you called for July 2nd. I had intended to be present. I am in favor of terminating any organization as soon as its work is done. I have no opinion as to whether this applies to our organization. We have helped, I hope, in preventing grievous violence, and opposition to the government program which has now been established. Personally I have done far less in this than I would have wished to do had I been free.

Within some days I expect to leave California to be gone for an indefinite period, and this is an additional reason for regret that I could not attend the last meeting of the committee.

I enclose a letter from a Mr. Bull of Madison, Wisconsin, which indicates that conditions are satisfactory there.

With constant best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "David P. Barrows". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Mr. Maurice E. Harrison,
111 Sutter Street,
San Francisco 4.

July 5, 1945

Mrs. Gracia D. Booth
1052 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 14

Dear Gracia Booth:

I have your letters of June 27 and July 2. The latter I will reply to personally when we meet at Sacramento, and will ask you about the expense statement for June, which I assume has not yet been paid.

We definitely want you to give full time, as from July 1, 1945, and will tell Miss Murphy to send you \$200. a month from July 1 to September 1, 1945. We are assuming no commitments for any further expenses for Southern California beyond that date. At a meeting of the Advisory Board members on July 2, a special committee was appointed to formulate plans for the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play from now on. But as I said above, it was assumed that after September 1 next, the work in Southern California would become entirely self-supporting. This will be one of the points to be decided by the special committee.

A little later I shall be asking you for a summary of the situation in your area, in connection with two articles that eastern magazines want me to write. They wanted the articles soon, but I have replied that it would be better to wait until more evacuees have returned, and the public reaction has shown itself over a longer period.

Miss Murphy is away now on vacation, so there will be some delay in putting through your expense requisition.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher
Asst. Treasurer

July 5, 1945

Attention Miss Murphy

Mr. Harry S. Scott, Treasurer
465 California Street
San Francisco 2

Dear Mr. Scott:

Mrs. Gracia D. Booth has been retained to give full time to the work in the Los Angeles area as from July 1, 1945, and you will please remit to her her salary at the rate of \$200. a month from that date until August 31, 1945. At the meeting of the Advisory Board held on July 2, it was decided that some financial readjustment would be made from September 1, and a special sub-committee was appointed to formulate a plan for all the work of the Committee from now on. There was a general disposition to think that from September 1 the work in Southern California should receive no further financial aid from the central treasury, but final decision will wait upon the report of the sub-committee to the Executive Committee.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher
Asst. Treasurer

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

July 5, 1945

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street, Room 203
San Francisco 4

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

In general I am not impressed with the necessity of getting expensive offices in both Berkeley and Los Angeles, or either one of them, staffed by paid workers, for the handling of the problem for which the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play was organized. On the other hand, it is probably desirable to maintain the organization which has been built up with a good deal of care with an executive committee and an advisory board well constituted for exerting an influence particularly in the handling of the ~~the~~ ^{Jan.} problem on the Pacific Coast. I suppose my vote would therefore be for the plan suggested in "2."

So far as question 3 is concerned, it seems to me that other organizations exist with the broad objectives of handling the problems of "all minorities," and it would not be wise to expand ~~to~~ largely into their field.

Sincerely yours,

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*reply
7/11/45*

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,
2287 Telegraph Avenue,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

This acknowledges your letters of June 16, 18, 26 and 27. I have been in the east and have not gotten a chance to reply to them before this.

I regret very much that it will not be possible for me to be at the Sacramento meeting on July 6th. The agenda sounds very interesting indeed.

I am particularly interested in hearing about the attitude of the State Board of Equalization, and I will go to work on that problem. I hope that we can get some kind of cooperation from Bonelli. I have found, however, I regret to say, a very anti-Japanese attitude on the part of some of the Americans of Italian ancestry. Maybe this is a manifestation of defense mechanism. I have met it in other cases. I will let you know the results.

The principal questions I think are raised by your letter of June 27th and the enclosed memorandum. I do not know what you will hear from the other members of the Committee, but it seems to me that in answer to your questionnaire, the present organization probably should continue as it is now functioning until the first of the year. Then it seems to me it should become the kind of standby organization you have mentioned in the answer to question number 2. In answer to question number 3, I do not feel our work should be widened to include problems of all minorities, because I am convinced there are other organizations far better financed and organized than ours is, to carry on such work. It may be possible after the end of the year to turn

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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July 5, 1945

over the work of our committee, other than standby activities, to Councils of Civic Unity or others. I do not think the time is ripe just now.

I would like to get specifically from you the recommendations of your advisory group as to what you think should be done in San Francisco and how much money you think we should raise here in Los Angeles.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

How - C. C. C. C.

HDC:JRB

A. B. RUDDOCK
1000 QUINBY BUILDING
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

July 5, 1945

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,
2287 Telegraph Avenue,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

In response to yours of the 27th please consider Mr.
Homer Crotty's reply as expressing my own views.

Yours very truly,

A. B. Ruddock

GALEN M. FISHER
11 EL SUENO 2
ORINDA, CALIFORNIA

July 6, 1945

Dear Connie:

Will you be good enough to go to
the U.C. Library and ask the clerk in charge to
renew the following books for another week:

JUL 21 1945 H N 39 U5 H6 Hopkins The Rise of the Social Gospd
JUL 21 1945 E 183 G3 ^{Copy 2} Gabriel Course of Amer. Democratic Thought
JUL 21 1945 H X 83 D6 Dombrowski Early Days of Christian
Socialism in America
JUL 21 1945 H 31 C7 Wagner Church of England & Social Reform

no. 325

Thank you.

Galen M. Fisher

GMF

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files
On July 9 I asked him to
destroy this letter.
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July 7, 1945

Attention Miss Murphy

Mr. Harry S. Scott
465 California Street
San Francisco 5

Dear Mr. Scott :

As you know, we have been paying the Los Angeles office \$50. a month, up until May 31, for rent and part-time of a typist. Dr. McGiffert, Mrs. Kingman and I all approve that this amount be continued for the three months of June, July and August. This will be in harmony with the general opinion of the meeting of July 5th, when it was thought that probably we should cease subsidizing that office after August 31.

Will you therefore please send this \$50. to Mrs. Booth, as from June 1, for June, and the same amount for July and August.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher
Asst. Treasurer

July 9, 1945

Attention Miss Murphy

Mr. ^Harry S. Scott, Treasurer
465 California Street
San Francisco 5

Dear Mr. Scott:

This will replace my letter of July 7th, which you will please destroy.

We have been paying the Los Angeles office \$50. for rent and the part-time services of a typist who is employed by Dr. Gillett of the same office as Mrs. Booth. This is really an economical arrangement for us. I have just learned from Mrs. Booth, however, that that amount of typist service is quite insufficient, and that she needs about \$25. a month for extra typist expense. This meets with Mrs. Kingman's approval.

Will you therefore send for rent at the rate of \$50. a month for the three months of June, July and August, and \$25. a month for extra typist expense for the ~~two~~ months of July and August.

Stopping both these payments after August will be in harmony with the general opinion of the Advisory Board members at the meeting on July 2, although as I stated in an earlier letter, the matter of subsidizing Los Angeles Committee after September 1 will not be finally settled until the special committee has reported its findings and recommendations.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher
Asst. Treasurer

JOHN HENRY RUSSELL

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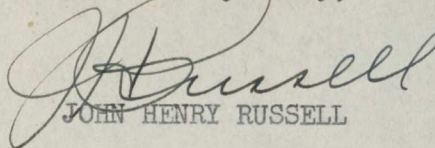
July 9, 1945

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
465 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

I misplaced the card which your material indicates was sent me so that I could express a preference concerning the future activity of this committee. Notice on the reverse side of the accompanying stencilled letter, which I received from you, an indication in the lefthand border as to what my choice would be.

Yours very truly,



JOHN HENRY RUSSELL

JHR CW

P.S. Yesterday I read the twenty-four page stencil on myths concerning the Japanese-Americans and their answers. I thought this an excellent piece of work and I am very glad to have it.

JHR

Enclosure

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Committee on American Principles and Fair Play

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Headquarters: Room 203, 465 California Street, San Francisco 4

July 10, 1945

reply 7/11/45
Mrs. Ruth Kingman
Committee on American Principles
and Fair Play
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Ruth:

Raymond telephoned and asked me to send you the amount of our expenses on the trip to Sacramento.

For the two of us, it totaled \$87.18. He understood that our expenses were to be paid; is that right?

We arrived home early Sunday morning, attended the Friend's meeting and then collapsed for the rest of the day.

Both of us felt the conference was extremely worthwhile and came back to our jobs with a great deal more pep than we have been feeling.

I hope that your headache did not develop in the same way mine did after we separated on Saturday. I don't think I was ever so sick in my life as I was on the trip home. Probably some sort of food poisoning caused it, but I am all right now. *what a blessing it was to be in a bedroom when so violently ill!*

Raymond had breakfast with Mr. Liveright this morning and I hope to be seeing him while he is in Southern California.

Paul Robertson congratulated me on "whatever I did to Kenney" in telling of the Santa Ana incident. Somebody had reported back to him and he wanted to thank me for doing a good job of putting Kenney on the spot. I told him that it was you who asked me to speak about this incident in Kenney's session.

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MAdison 2673

Mrs. Kingman

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Late yesterday afternoon Raymond and I looked at a piece of property in Pasadena which is perfectly ideal in almost every way for our home. We have not decided as yet however.

The group in South Pasadena telephoned me yesterday that they definitely want to organize as a Fair Play committee and asked regarding financial obligation. Since I had other things scheduled and could not go over, I suggested that they contact Colonel Finch, have him attend their organizational meeting and advise with him ~~the~~ ⁱⁿ the future. I will let you know what ~~becomes~~ of their meeting which is being held tonight.

I am trying to help Earle O'Day schedule meetings until the sixteenth of Colonel Grand's staff about whom Raymond told you. There are several hot spots into which we are hoping ~~to be~~ able to go with the help of interested people I have been keeping close to for some weeks.

Clarence Gillett is away for about ten days at the Congregational camp. We had little time to talk things over before he left, but I am sure we can arrange our office time and space in a satisfactory manner for the present at least.

Mr. Crotty wants to see me at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday and I would be very happy to have the minutes of the Sacramento conference and the other material you were going to send in ~~handed~~ before that meeting. He is so terribly busy that I may not get into see him again for weeks.

Raymond cannot locate the little envelope in which he had our tickets and upon which the price was written. Although we know exactly what it was, I would feel better if I could enclose that with the statement of our expenses. If you wish a more itemized statement before the bill is paid, we will try again to locate the envelope, but he did have me write the total down in the back of our check book as we drove home from the train, so I know at least that the amount is correct.

I found a lovely letter from Mrs. Thayer upon my desk upon my return. She is asking for more myths and facts which we are sending her and she has asked me to telephone Mr. Burton once ~~and~~ ⁱⁿ a while. I am quoting one paragraph from her letter (confidentially) which I thought you might like to hear: "When I left, we had not yet had an answer from Ruth Kingman as to whether our money might be applied to the Los Angeles office, and I have not yet heard from Colonel Finch as to any reply."

Mrs. Kingman

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Perhaps you and Colonel Finch have already followed that through with her, but I feel that I wanted to quote that one paragraph in view of the conversations you and I had regarding future financing of the Fair Play Committee.

Thank you for including me in the conference. I am sure the experience will help me a great deal as I go on down here.

Regards to Constance and best wishes to you,

Sincerely,

Gracia

Mrs. Gracia D. Booth
Executive Secretary

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July 11, 1945

Dear Board Member:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the minutes of a meeting held on July 2.

A Committee (see p. 3 of Minutes) has been formed for further consideration of the future program of our organization; and will meet within a week.

You will receive an account of the proceedings of that meeting as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth W. Kingman

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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Enclosure

*My dear Mr Kingman: I am very much interested in the reports etc. I had planned to go to the meeting on July 2nd but had to help my daughter who had a very sick child - I was sorry - very much I had no set opinion as to the new procedure. I have been stunned by the Anti Japanese acts -
Sincerely
Sam H. Laughlin.*

"... Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry."—Franklin D. Roosevelt, February 1, 1943

July 12, 1945

Mrs. Gracia D. Booth
1052 West 6th St.
Los Angeles 14, California

Dear Mrs. Booth:

If you will type out a simple itemized account of your expenses at the Sacramento Conference, and send it to Mrs. Kingman, she will forward the amount to you immediately.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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Mr. Galen Fisher
11 El Sueno 2
Orinda, California

Dear Galen:

Raymond and I both enjoyed so much the conference at Sacramento and feel all "pepped up" as we return to our respective jobs.

In glancing over the letter which you handed me last Friday, I notice that you seemed uncertain as to the expense account for June. No, it has not been paid, and was payable to me July 1. However, I sent it in to you rather late any way. It has never been paid in advance but always refunded to me as I send in a statement.

Your last paragraph mentioned two articles that eastern magazines wanted you to write, and that you wanted to talk to me about the situation down here. I am revising my report which you saw at Sacramento to include a little more information which has come in since that was typed and will send it to you just as soon as it is completed.

Dwight Welch of the YMCA and Esther Breisemiester are having lunch with me in a few minutes and I am having an interview with Mr. Crotty this afternoon. If anything interesting develops I shall let you know.

The South Pasadena group phoned me that they had definitely decided to organize into a fair play committee. Because I had a previous engagement that I could not break, I suggested that they ask Colonel Finch to meet with them at their organizational meeting on Tuesday evening. I do not have a report from them as yet, but expect to hear this afternoon. They were interested enough to ask me what they should do financially as they become a fair play committee group.

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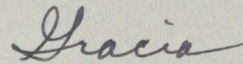
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As soon as the International Institute in Whittier closes, I am going to spend a day there to see if some sort of organized group is possible. There are several deeply interested people in Whittier with whom I have been talking. One is the high school coach, an Indian, who feels that something should be done about the whole racial situation in Whittier.

Cordially yours,



Mrs. Gracia D. Booth
Executive Secretary

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Very sincerely yours,

Connie

Secretary

Dear Connie - Enclosed is the itemized statement of expenses incurred in connection with our trip to Sacramento. Luckily I always jot things down for "Pop" as he "spends it" so we have a double check. However, we cannot locate the ticket envelope whereon we usually put everything. Things are humming here & my headwhirling. Crotty saw me yesterday & his Secretary.

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just phoned me to come over in a few moments. At my suggestion

He & Finck are getting together soon.

The Pasadena ^{Fair Play} group are taking over for me - Whittier, Montebello, El Monte, Norwalk etc. & Col. Finck is "earin' to go" - this is for you & Ruth both -

I am in no rush for it but (in order to keep things straight)

my expense account for June (which I sent Galen ^{July 2 or 3} about there) has not come through - I think he said the Treas. was away -

Regards to you both
Gracia

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July 13, 1945

Mr. Arthur C. McGiffert,
2287 Telegraph Avenue,
Room 215,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Mr. McGiffert:

Mrs. Kingman, in her letter of July 11th, advised you were calling a meeting of your committee on Monday, July 16, 1945, to consider the future activities of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, so I am writing to you direct.

In checking with a few of our members here, it seemed to be the consensus of opinion that the Committee should go on, at least until the first of the year and then become a standby committee. It was felt that we were not adequately financed to carry on indefinitely the work which could be done better by the Mayor's Committee or the Councils for Civic Unity, or like bodies, or to extend our activities.

I have a great deal of misgiving about the future course of resettlement. As far as I know, the W.R.A.'s policy of closing the camps as of the first of January, 1946, still holds. The volume of resettlement, at least as far as the Pacific Coast is concerned, has not been large up to the first of June. There was less than 5% of the former residents who had returned here to Los Angeles. The population of the camps is rapidly getting down to the very young and the very old, who could become public charges in the various counties. This situation, combined with the anti-Japanese prejudice, may become very serious indeed.

I have been hopeful that aside from the Tule Lake Japanese, who may be turned over to the Department of Justice, that there should be at least one camp kept open to which the

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July 13, 1945

various evacuees could be moved from the other camps. The budget, as you know, for the W.R.A. work, was cut severely by Congress and there was a good deal of indication that by the first of July next year, there is to be no more money for W.R.A. work. Even if the Japanese war came to an end today, I do not see how the W.R.A.'s problems could be solved even as early as July 1st of next year. It is not enough to say that the evacuation was accomplished with efficiency in a very short period of time. Evacuation lasted about ten months and had the full resources of the United States Government to provide housing, protection, transportation, etc. for the evacuees. Aside from a small sum of money available for transportation and release, the Government is not providing either jobs or housing for the returning Japanese. There are many jobs available, but the housing situation on the Pacific Coast, and certainly around the Los Angeles area, is very tight.

If then, the Government does close the camps on the first of January and turns these people loose, you may be sure that all of the western states east of the Pacific Coast will attempt to compel those evacuees who came from the Pacific Coast to return here. I am wondering whether this situation has ever been presented to the various foundations to see what additional consideration could be obtained for the program which would go on after the first of January, not necessarily under the auspices of the Fair Play Committee, but under the Councils of Civic Unity or Mayor's Committees. The need will be there and someone must take care of it.

I had a meeting with Mrs. Booth yesterday and she advised me that the activities of the San Francisco end of the Committee would come to a practical standstill about the first of September, but everyone felt we should continue the work here until the first of the year. In Mrs. Kingman's letter there was a copy of the financial statement of July 1, 1945, which showed a bank balance as of July 1, 1945, of \$5,492.99. Mrs. Booth felt a budget of about \$350. a month would be needed to carry the Los Angeles office from September 1st to the end of the year. \$200. of this is her salary, \$50. for the office rent and expenses, and the remaining \$100. for traveling expenses and incidentals. No check had been received by Dr. Clarence Gillette for rent for the months of June and July.

We therefore would like to have your committee consider the following questions, so that we may hear from you:

Mr. Arthur C. McGiffert

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July 13, 1945

1. Will the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play continue after September 1st as it is presently operated? We do not consider ourselves a separate unit, but a part of the San Francisco group. All expenses, as you know, have been paid by the San Francisco office and no funds have been handled by us.

2. If the San Francisco activities are to be curtailed, just how does the Committee propose to carry on the activities in Los Angeles? We do not believe that we should act independently of the San Francisco office.

3. How much financing will be available to the Los Angeles office from San Francisco?

4. How much money do you think that Los Angeles and Pasadena ought to attempt to raise to carry on the Los Angeles office?

5. In view of the policy of the W.R.A. to close the camps on the first of January, 1946, what should be the activities of the Committee, as well as the Los Angeles committee, after January 1, 1946?

6. Should this committee use whatever influence it has to obtain funds for a group to be designated by the committee to handle among its other activities those which our committee has handled?

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Homer D. Crotty

HDC:JRB

CC Mr. Galen Fisher

Mrs. Kingman ✓

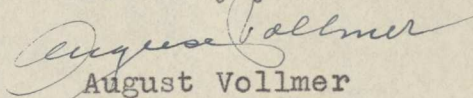
AUGUST VOLLMER
923 EUCLID AVENUE
BERKELEY 8, CALIFORNIA

July 16, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Because of the strained relations that exists between the Attorney General and myself I am of the opinion that a letter from me on the subject of your letter would do more harm than good. May I, however, suggest the name of Mrs. John P. Buwalda as the person who would more likely get result^s Mrs. Buwalda stands very close to Mr. Kenny politically, and is intimately associated with him in his crime prevention program in this state.

Cordially yours


August Vollmer

July 20, 1945

Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch
Administration Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Deutsch:

Enclosed you will find the minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee appointed on July 2nd, by Dr. McGiffert, for the purpose of working out a plan (including budget) for the work of the Committee during the next few months.

The sub-committee, as appointed by Dr. McGiffert, included the following members of the Executive Committee: Dr. McGiffert, Dr. Paul Taylor, Mr. Galen M. Fisher, and Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, in addition to Mr. Allen Blaisdell and Miss Annie Clo Watson.

Because of the presence of the four Executive Board members, Dr. McGiffert and I thought that it might avoid duplication of effort and expenditure of time, if minutes of the meeting could be sent to the remaining members of the Executive group, as well as to those present.

We hope that you will read these minutes carefully so that when I call you some time between Wednesday, July 25, and Monday, July 30, you can tell me whether or not you feel that we should meet as a group, for further discussion or whether the plan is clear enough to merit a telephone vote, pro or con. (If you are to be out of town at that time, will you please call me before you go?)

If there are any points you wish clarified, will you please call either Miss Halliday, the office secretary, or me?

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

July 20, 1945

Mr. Homer D. Grotty
634 South Spring St.
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Grotty:

Enclosed you will find the minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee appointed on July 2, by Dr. McGiffert, for the purpose of working out a plan (including budget) for the work of the Committee during the next few months.

Copies are being sent, today, to the members of the Executive Committee, and action will be taken on the recommendations by July 31.

Meantime, we would appreciate your reaction to the plan, and I shall be glad to pass on to the members of the Executive Committee, before their votes are taken, any comments, suggestions or modifications you feel should be considered. Naturally, I would like to have such information in hand as soon as possible.

If there is anything confusing in the minutes, will you please telephone me, and I will try to clear it up.

Very sincerely yours,

RWK:ech
cc: Mrs. Booth

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

P. S. Mr. Fisher just called and suggested that I tell you that we can have no expectation of receiving grants from any of the larger Foundations, hence our careful marshalling of the funds in hand. I personally feel that there will be Foundation support available to the Councils of Civic Unity now in process of formation. As a Fair Play Committee, however, we are pretty definitely limited to personal contributions from now on.

GALEN M. FISHER
11 EL SUENO 2
ORINDA, CALIFORNIA

July 20, 1945

✓ Mrs. Ruth Kingman
Mr. Joseph James

Dear Friends:

I am submitting this draft only to
you two at this stage.

Two questions puzzle me :

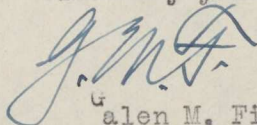
That the ^Name should omit the word Federation,
as being cumbersome for publicity purposes. I be-
lieve all concerned would soon resort to the init-
ials in referring to the organization anyhow.

That the Board of Directors should serve as Trustees,
and hold all property, that function therefore
being dropped from ~~the~~ Art. IV, last par. on p. 1.

If it is incorporated, as we all seemed
to think advisable, then the whole set-up should be
scrutinized from that angle.

At some stage before final adoption of
the By-laws, I suggest that the draft be shown to
Mrs. Elkus and Mrs. Ganyard.

Sincerely yours


Galen M. Fisher

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July 21, 1945

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Here is the transcription of the morning session and of Clarvoe's luncheon speech. The remainder is still being ground out. I think, however, you'd like to get this to both Herve and Clarvoe for their correction or approval. I have made such changes as my own notes indicated were needed.

In the main, I think Mrs. Gardiner has given us almost a verbatim report. I wish she had been faster in getting it done. The rest I'll send along as soon as I get it from her.

Cordially,

Henry

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NICHOLAS RICCIARDI, PRESIDENT

July 24, 1945.

Mrs. Harry Kingman,
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play,
San Francisco.

Dear Ruth:

Here is the remainder of the transcript of the July 6 meeting. Both Mrs. Phyllis Gardiner, who did the work, and I regret the delay. However, I believe you will agree with me that she has done a pretty good job with it. She insists that she wants to make it her contribution to the cause, and to take only about seventy-five cents, to pay for the paper, as her fee! Commercially, I believe the job would have cost between sixty and a hundred dollars.

Here is also a statement of expenses which our group will be glad to have your committee reimburse us for if you can still see your way clear to do it. The room rental at the hotel was \$7.50. I gave your secretary a check at the luncheon for \$12.79, ten of which was for the service and the remainder was to cover some small mixup in collecting from the people present. These total \$20.29, and are the only expenses except for postage and phone calls that I know about. It is my understanding that the American Council on Race Relations will cover the postage, amounting to about \$5.00, and perhaps the phone calls as well. They come to \$2.77 according to my present information, tho there may be one or two not yet billed; I'm sure that \$5.00 would cover them. Perhaps you might talk with Laurence Hewes about this small matter and notify me accordingly.

I believe Mrs. Gardiner already sent your office the registration cards. You will therefore have everything you need, will you not, for going ahead with getting out the proceedings. Is it your plan to send a copy to all the groups which were invited, even tho no delegate was present? I think that would be helpful.

How are the plans for a state federation coming?

Our group is growing all the time; our last meeting was the best yet, with Capt. Grandstaff as speaker. Our committees are becoming more active. I believe the State Meeting did us a good deal of good. Thanks for your help.

Yours very cordially,

Henry

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634 South Spring Street
Los Angeles 14, California

July 25, 1945

Mr. Arthur C. McGiffert,
2287 Telegraph Avenue,
Room 215,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Mr. McGiffert:

I have received your good letter of July 20th and Mrs. Kingman's letter of the same date enclosing the minutes of the sub-committee meeting of July 16th on future plans. As I understand it, you are to have a meeting of your Executive Committee on July 31st.

I have been unable to get our group together down here, but I can give you the views of some of the members which I think fairly represent the sense of the whole group. I had a meeting last night with Mrs. Gracia Booth, our secretary, Mr. Raymond Booth, Colonel Finch of the Pasadena group, and John Henry Russell. We came to the following conclusions:

1. That the Southern California group could be counted upon to raise \$700. towards the expense of the local office. The Pasadena group has tentatively suggested that they will contribute \$400. to the local office, but would not clear it through the San Francisco office. There was no final commitment from them, however, and I will set about to raise the additional amount needed for the \$700. As I understand it, we have credit from Mrs. Clarke's recent check for \$100. on this amount. This is to carry us to the first of January.

2. We do not feel that our committee has any independent existence, and if the northern group's activities stop, so must ours, except those of a standby committee.

Mr. Arthur C. McGiffert

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July 25, 1945

3. All of us have considerable misgivings that the closing of the camps from August 15 through December 15th, as announced, will throw such burdens on housing and transportation and the relief agencies that there will be additional problems arise which must be taken care of in the next few months. We feel under the circumstances that about December 1st the Committee should take another look at the situation to determine whether it should continue with its activities or turn them over to a group concerned primarily with race relations.

4. We feel the work of the Committee ultimately should be turned over to a larger group, and our work should be that of a standby committee for sometime to come. The larger group might be a Council for Civic Unity or some organization connected with the American Council of Race Relations. In this connection we prefer to deal with a body which can secure strong financial support. Much time is lost and much effort is lost by having too many groups handling problems of race relations. We recognize that there are distinct problems, however, that persons who are sympathetic with the problems of the Japanese or Filipinos would be very loathe to give a committee support if it were helping Negroes, or, on the other hand that people who gave gifts for aid to the Negroes would see no reason why they should support groups which have the problems of the Jews to consider. Regardless of this situation, it is our belief that it is best to appeal to individuals and foundations who have the best interest of the community at heart and are not willing to vent their prejudice against particular minorities.

So you will see from the above that our determination is to go out of business on an active basis by the end of December of this year unless additional financial support is forthcoming. If the incidents are no more frequent or severe than they are at present, it is doubtful whether additional financial support will be forthcoming for this particular committee. It is the general belief that the committee has done a good job but that its work has been accomplished. From now on the work should be merged into the work for general minorities.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Homer D. Crotty

HDC:JRB

CC Mr. Galen M. Fisher
Mrs. Kingman
Mrs. Booth

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Dear Mr. McGiffert:

I have received your good letter of July 20th and Mrs. Kingman's letter of the same date enclosing the minutes of the sub-committee meeting of July 16th on future plans. As I understand it, you are to have a meeting of your Executive Committee on July 31st.

I have been unable to get our group together down here, but I can give you the views of some of the members which I think fairly represent the sense of the whole group. I had a meeting last night with Mrs. Gracia Booth, our secretary, Mr. Raymond Booth, Colonel Finch of the Pasadena group, and John Henry Russell. We came to the following conclusions:

1. That the Southern California group could be counted upon to raise \$700. towards the expense of the local office. The Pasadena group has tentatively suggested that they will contribute \$400. to the local office, but would not clear it through the San Francisco office. There was no final commitment from them, however, and I will set about to raise the additional amount needed for the \$700. As I understand it, we have credit from Mrs. Clarke's recent check for \$100. on this amount. This is to carry us to the first of January.

2. We do not feel that our committee has any independent existence, and if the northern group's activities stop, so must ours, except those of a standby committee.

COPY

Mr. Arthur C. McGiffert

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July 25, 1945

3. All of us have considerable misgivings that the closing of the camps from August 15 through December 15th, as announced, will throw such burdens on housing and transportation and the relief agencies that there will be additional problems arise which must be taken care of in the next few months. We feel under the circumstances that about December 1st the Committee should take another look at the situation to determine whether it should continue with its activities or turn them over to a group concerned primarily with race relations.

4. We feel the work of the Committee ultimately should be turned over to a larger group, and our work should be that of a standby committee for sometime to come. The larger group might be a Council for Civic Unity or some organization connected with the American Council of Race Relations. In this connection we prefer to deal with a body which can secure strong financial support. Much time is lost and much effort is lost by having too many groups handling problems of race relations. We recognize that there are distinct problems, however, that persons who are sympathetic with the problems of the Japanese or Filipinos would be very loathe to give a committee support if it were helping Negroes, or, on the other hand that people who gave gifts for aid to the Negroes would see no reason why they should support groups which have the problems of the Jews to consider. Regardless of this situation, it is our belief that it is best to appeal to individuals and foundations who have the best interests of the community at heart and are not willing to vent their prejudice against particular minorities.

So you will see from the above that our determination is to go out of business on an active basis by the end of December of this year unless additional financial support is forthcoming. If the incidents are no more frequent or severe than they are at present, it is doubtful whether additional financial support will be forthcoming for this particular committee. It is the general belief that the committee has done a good job but that its work has been accomplished. From now on the work should be merged into the work for general minorities.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Homer D. Crotty

HDC:JRB

CC Mr. Galen Fisher
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July 27, 1945.

*reply
8/2/45*

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play,
2287 Telegraph Avenue,
Berkeley 4, California.

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

Mr. Harrison has written me requesting that
I forward to you the enclosed letter from Mr. Crotty.
He desires that you read the letter and, if you will
be good enough to do so, return it to him with sug-
gestions for a reply.

Alexandra Brilliant
Very truly yours,

Marianne B. Close

Secretary to Mr. Harrison.

Enclosure.

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July 31, 1945.
875 South Manhattan Place, Apt. 2.
Los Angeles 6, California.

Mr. Galen M. Fisher
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley, 4, California.

Dear Galen Fisher:

This is to acknowledge receipt of check No. 287 in the amount of \$200.00 to cover expenses of rent from June 1, and typing service etc. up to September 1.

Also, check No. 293 in the amount of \$159.10 covering salary for July. Thanks.

Enclosed is receipt from Clarence Gillett for rent of office and part-time help of Secretary up to August 1.

Also enclosed is the statement of my expenses for July. You will remember that I sent the statement for the month of June to you just before the Sacramento Conference and it has not yet been received. I understood the person who handled those monthly statements was away but will leave both in your hands. It is no urgent matter, at all, however.

I am paying, and have been since the early part of June, for some outside secretarial help, as you suggested I should. Since Clarence is back in his office it has been well-nigh impossible to get work done with any degree of regularity. Shall I make some accounting of hours etc. for this expense or is it left to my discretion to make it stretch as far as I can, just so my work gets done?

When I told Clarence I had decided to use the apartment for my office and spend more on secretarial help and renting desk, typewriter etc. in addition to travelling a lot more he figured that we had used up our one-quarter time long ago and were indebted to them. I am therefore paying the girl there, 90 cents an hour for all she has been doing for over some time now. I will take it out of the \$25 allowed me for extra help for July and add whatever money is over to the heavier expense for typing service which will naturally follow my being out of the office. O.K.?

Please do not send me any more out of your personal account. I can wait until the regular person is back on the job again. Writing of new "openings" soon.

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P.S. Am off
to rent desk
& decent typewriter now.
Phone is in
already.
(over)
✓

Gracio.

I have bought the following

Card file, cards, tabs etc. —

3.02

Miscellaneous supplies as

- Slatebook - letter basket
- Folders for filing, clips
- Telephone pad
- Typing paper - Pencils
etc. etc.

7.39

10.41

Shall I reimburse myself for the
above out of the \$50⁰⁰ allowed for ^{about} rent?
Please advise!

Pita is typing the card
^{for me to bring home}
file to which I have contributed
in the main - I have to pay
her .90¢ an hr. - will be
about \$16⁰⁰ - Clarence may
pay half as he asked her
to make carbon cards for
W.R.A. (adds much to time used).

I could not hold expenses to
\$50⁰⁰ because office mechanics were
such as to force me to do so much outside.
Perhaps, once settled in my own quiet, private
corner, it will work better & less expensively.
Crotty understands & rather insisted I work from
home or rent another office ^{at home}. Gracia.

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Mr. Galen M. Fisher
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley, California.

Dear Galen Fisher:

This is just to check with you in regard to arrangements I am about to complete for renting desk, typewriter and securing part time secretarial help for the rest of August.

I have been paying Rita at the rate of .90 cents an hour (through Clarence's office) for all work for some weeks now. In between I have tried out several other girls and think I have found one at the Hostel who wants only part time work with me as she is giving part time at the Hostel and is very good. The Congregational office is willing to allow me to come in certain hours and dictate to a girl who can use one of their typewriters rather than come away out to our apartment in return for which Mr. Crotty may be willing to still leave his office furniture there for Clarence to use. I do not pay any more rent --- I simply pay by the hour to the girl herself. Then I will be paying at least five a month for a desk and will not need to rent a machine until we move to Pasadena (if we do, now that the war seems over and real estate prices may collapse we may sit tight right here for a few more weeks).

For July, I have been out \$24.22 for extra help, and still must pay for the copying of the card file. If I am not paying office rent (which included part time secretarial help) shall I draw on that \$50.00 allowed for August rental, to supplement the \$25.00 you sent for extra secretarial help to carry me through August? I figure that the extra on our phone bill, desk rental and all secretarial help will about consume the \$50.00. We are not now paying to 1052 West 6th plus the extra \$25.00 allotted me--- O.K. by you?

Personal expenses, guests at meals, taxi service etc. may come down considerably now that my time is my own, in the sense that I feel under no obligation to assist in Clarence's work, and therefore can plan my comings and goings to do away with all unnecessary expenditures. On the other hand, I do contemplate doing quite a lot more travelling in the next

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few weeks and I presume that item of expense ~~will~~
will increase, *quite a bit.*

Do I send the expense account
to San Francisco, as usual, at the end of
August for final clearing up before you
"close up" shop up there? Already I begin
to feel like an orphan and I do hope that
I may continue to turn to you and Ruth for
advice now and then and for encouragement
which one sorely needs at times.

Let me hear from you if I should be
doing differently in any way, please.
youth

The Methodist/camps wish me to
act as discussion leader at one or more of
their camps but I have promised to secure
someone else for them. Their request at
least shows their interest.

(Confidential) The NCCJ have approached me for
a rather highly paid position, thinking the
whole Fair Play set-up was being "liquidated"
by September 1. Mr. Crotty seems to be re-
ceiving funds, how much I do not know.

If this letter re the use of funds
should go to someone else, you will know how
to proceed. I am writing you directly because
you sent the extra check to me. Likewise, I sent
expense accounts to you. If Mr. Scott is back
in town you will know whether or not to turn
these things over to him.

Sincerely Yours

Gracia

Gracia D. Booth

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