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COPY telegram (night Letter) sent to

Mr. Geo. Rundquist

Portland Council of Churches

Y.M.C.A. Bldg

Portland, Ore.

Please keep following off record. Am told our speaker from Washington available ~~###~~
Portland November 17. Do you think it possible and desirable to attempt duplicate luncheon there thru your organization and McNaughton for my committee if I stop Portland November 10 and 11. Please confer McNaughton then wire me.

Nov. 1. 1944

Ruth Kingman.

November 1, 1944

Miss MacMullen
465 California Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss MacMullen:

Enclosed please find bills from Lederer, Street
& Zeus Company, and from California Advertising
Service.

Sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

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November 2, 1944

Miss Mary C. Baker
Dean of Women
Fresno State College
Fresno, California

Dear Miss Baker:

Mr. Galen Fisher has asked that we reply to your letter of October 16, addressed to him.

Your first question concerned the extent of WRA's assistance in connection with escheat cases. As you will readily appreciate, it is not possible for us to enter into the litigation and actually defend each of these cases for the evacuees. We do however, see to it that every evacuee defendant is advised of his rights, and we make available to him the results of our legal research on the subject.

I think when Mr. Myer mentioned the matter of furnishing attorneys, he had in mind the attorney referral system set up by WRA in conjunction with the California State Bar. From time to time evacuees in need of counsel and not knowing any attorney, ask WRA for assistance in employing one. In all such cases the names of the next three attorneys on the referral list (for the community and the specialty involved) are submitted to the evacuee so that he may select one to represent him. The attorneys on the referral list have previously agreed to charge for their services in accordance with a reduced fee schedule. They do not work for nothing, but they do recognize that, to some extent at least, evacuees would not need counsel except as a result of the evacuation and are therefore according them some consideration in the matter of fees. As to the Chiamori case, we were advised that such a case was filed in Fresno and is returnable on December 27. We will no doubt shortly be furnished with copies of the pleadings

Miss Mary C. Baker - Page 2

by the Attorney General's Office, as we have been in all other cases.

You asked further as to whether other escheat cases had been filed. In the State of California there have been about twenty-five cases, and in the State of Washington about ten cases. Only one has gone to judgment, the defendants having decided not to fight the case, but to permit it to go by default. To our knowledge every other case is being defended.

As to the advisability of Federal investigation, there would seem to be no ground for any such action. These escheat cases are brought under a state statute, the constitutionality of which has been passed upon favorably by the California Supreme Court. The State is no doubt within its rights in bringing these actions; as to whether the State ought to be successful in any given case depends of course upon the specific facts. In any case, the evacuees are entitled to their day in court, with full opportunity to confer with counsel in advance, prepare their cases, and make their defenses. This agency is attempting to see to it that every evacuee who wishes to defend shall have his opportunity to do so.

As to the origin of these cases, the local District Attorney has joint responsibility with the State Attorney General in bringing escheat actions. Therefore, in every case, the District Attorney and the Attorney General together bring the suit.

As to the Chiamori case, we have had no indication-- thus far at least--of any behind-the-scenes activity such as you suggest might be taking place. It is very difficult to believe that there is basis for any such rumor.

We greatly appreciate your interest and if you wish any further information, please feel free to call on us.

Sincerely,

Edgar Bernhard
Assistant Solicitor

cc: Galen Fisher
El Sueno
Orinda, California

CLARENCE F. LEA
1ST DIST. CALIFORNIA

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

November 2, 1944

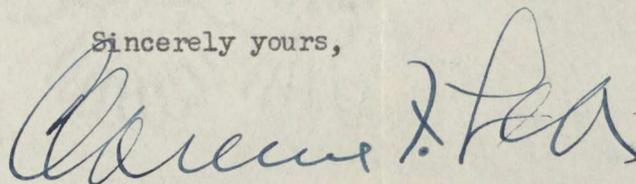
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Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, Secretary,
Committee on American Principles
and Fair Play,
2234 Telegraph Avenue,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I received and thank you for your
letter of October 11, enclosing article
"Beyond the Horizon" by Yori Wada, which I
shall read with interest.

Sincerely yours,



M/w

CLARENCE S. GILLETT
521 E. COOK ST.
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

Congregational Conference
1052 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 14, Calif.
November 2, 1944

Fair Play Committee
2234 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, Calif.

Dear Fair Play - ers:

We enclose a check for \$9.00 for which we would like to have you send 50 copies of "The Test of a Free Country" to me at the Santa Maria address, and 250 copies of the same leaflet to me here at the Congregational Conference office.

As you may know, Mr. Rundquist is planning to be here in Southern California November 19 to December 1. If you have any suggestions as to the kind of help he best renders we shall be very glad to have information about it in order that we may take advantage as fully as possible of his time here.

Cordially yours,

Clarence Gillett

P.S. We are clear now that we can open an office here in co-operation with Mrs. Katlan and hope that this will greatly increase the effectiveness of all of us working on these problems.

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c/o Yankton College
Yankton, South Dakota
November 3, 1944

Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch, Provost
University of California
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Deutsch:

I am a Nisei student at Yankton College preparing for ministerial work. I wrote to the Student Relocation Council telling them of my desire to enroll as a transfer student in your university. I was happy to receive a very enthusiastic and encouraging reply from them approving of my plan. The Council suggested that I write directly to you for consideration and advice assuring me of a most kind and cooperative reception from you.

I am an older Nisei, twenty-seven years old, studying for the ministry and potentially selected for missionary work in particular. Limited as I am, I hope I will be of service in that sphere. I was a resident of Los Angeles before the evacuation, I am a Junior in college, I have been used to and trained in meeting and adapting myself to various peoples and groups. I feel that I wish and ought to go to California, specifically to the University of California at Berkeley for the following reasons:

First, for personal and perhaps selfish reasons.

1. I wish to enter a larger college, because at our school of about 120 students the subjects are limited. There are many subjects that I am unable to get here, which I feel are vital for a more complete background for my future work.

2. As I have mentioned previously, I hope to participate in missionary work. Mr. Robert E. Chandler, the candidate secretary for the Congregational Mission Board, in an interview while visiting here in Yankton advised me that I may be accepted for service in China. Therefore my plan would be to enter the Pacific School of Religion which is outstanding in missionary training upon receiving my college degree. I could also have opportunities for the study of Oriental Languages in California.

Secondly, for these general reasons.

I feel that I can be of definite aid in reintroducing us Nisei in California in limited numbers. Please forgive me for trying to sell myself, but I feel that I can be useful because of various factors. I am an older and more mature student. I possess superior ability to express myself in writing or in speaking, especially in the latter. Last year, I was fortunate enough to win the State Intercollegiate Men's Oratory Contest and I was a member of our College debate team. I am able to get along with people very well, formerly working as a recreational director and as an insurance agent. I have a strong scholastic record and although this is not too indicative for practical purposes, I have a rating of 160 by the college I.Q. or psychological tests. I am deferred in the classification of 4-D. I feel that my position as a theology student will meet with less antagonism by most people. I have found it very conducive to sympathy out here. Please forgive the very self-assured tone, but I am trying to sell myself because I feel that I can be of more use in California than out here. I am firmly convinced by my own experiences that intimate personal contacts are the best and final means of removing racial misunderstanding and prejudices. Legislation and education are vital but a practical solution will only come with fraternity. I hope I may serve in that manner. I feel that it is not only for the Nisei that I may be of service, but for a complete harmony among all races. The Japanese American problem, is, after all, a comparatively minor one in itself, but of a vastly vital and significant sociological import.

Beside the problem of being accepted and permitted to enter your college, I have other problems. I will need some means for income. Could you advise me of the possibility of employment for room and board in your community? I am aided by the Congregational Council for Social Action, but I wish to be as self-supporting as possible. Our semester ends on January 26, 1945. I would like to enter your college as soon after that as possible. At the suggestion of the Student Relocation Council, I am writing to Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Chairman of the Student Fair Play Committee on the West Coast and to Dr. Clarence E. Gillette of the Congregational Council for Social Action for further advice. I will have to be registered as a theological or pre-theological student.

I hope I have not taxed you too greatly. The Student Relocation Council has complete records of my case, and they will be glad to send you any information about me. Also Dr. William C. Lang, President of our college, can give you other pertinent information. I will appreciate greatly every effort on my behalf, not only for myself but for the people whom I hope to serve. May I hear from you as soon as possible? Thank you for your kind attention.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) HARUO ISHIMARU

Copy for Mrs. Kingman ✓

November 22, 1944

Mr. Haruo Ishimaru
c/o Yankton College
Yankton, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Ishimaru:

We were glad to receive your letter and to know that you are planning to apply for readmission to the Western Defense Area, and to the University.

My understanding of the necessary procedure is as follows:

1) A letter should be written by you, addressed to Major General Charles H. Bonesteel, Commanding General, Western Defense Command, Presidio, San Francisco, California, asking for the necessary application blanks for you to fill out, in order to return to Berkeley.

With this letter, send copies (retain originals) of the following:

- a) Evidence of admission to the University subject to approval of Commanding General of Western Defense Command.
- b) Evidence of ability to meet expenses, i.e. either income or job.
- c) Evidence of definite place to live.

As to "a", Dr. Deutsch will probably tell you what procedure should be followed to gain admission to the University.

As to "b and c", I am sending a copy of your letter to me, and of this letter, to Mr. Leon Tichenin, Associate Secretary of the University of California Y.M.C.A., who is working with the University of California Students' Cooperative Association in the interests of supporting the return of Nisei students.

I know that they are eager to include returning Nisei in their living groups, and are planning possible jobs which will assist in the financial arrangements. I have already talked this letter over with Mr. Tichenin, who will write to you, immediately, not awaiting a letter from you.

I might also suggest that you write to Dr. Arthur Cushman McGiffert, President of the Pacific School of Religion for suggestions as to work which might be closely allied with your future major.

As any consideration of your application for a permit to return will rest upon your acceptance by the University, I urge that you take the steps to be suggested by Dr. Deutsch, as soon as possible.

I am confident that you will receive a warm welcome from the student body here in Berkeley. It will be good to know that we have some Nisei friends with us again.

If there is any further help I can give you, will you kindly let me know?

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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Room 203, 465 California Street
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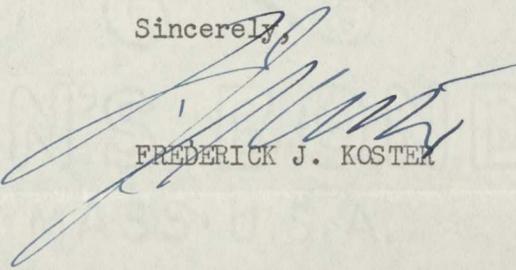
Dear Doctor Fisher:

I have your letter of November 2, 1944, and I herewith enclose my company's check in the sum of \$100.00 as a supplementary contribution.

Let me say that I heartily applaud and warmly appreciate the work the Committee is doing. I equally heartily commend Dr. Sproul's fine, understanding presentation of the test of a free country.

With kindest personal regards

Sincerely,


FREDERICK J. KOSTER

Encl.


UNITED STATES
ARMY AIR FORCES

Nov. 3.

Dear Mrs. Kingman,

Please pardon my delay in answering your very welcome letter of Oct. 16th. I have been away from the Base for the past two weeks on detached duty - your message arrived before I left, so you can imagine how happy we all were.

The day after your good news, war news came thru with an official approval. Words cannot describe how happy and honored I am to be finally granted this opportunity. You can all count on me to do my very best - I am terribly grateful to you and the Committee for your very fine gesture to help me.

Our training is almost over and it won't be long before I bid adieu again. I don't know just how much interesting news the censors will allow to pass, but I shall try to keep you well



UNITED STATES

ARMY AIR FORCES

informed of my experiences - I'm going to purchase a portable typewriter so that my friends will be able to understand me -

this is going to be quite an experience and I sure do hope my good luck holds out - If I'm half as lucky as my European tour, it'll be a cinch. Guess I'd better not count my chickens before the honorable eggs are hatched!

I had the pleasure of meeting Carey McWilliams in Denver last week. He spoke that evening for our cause - it is extremely comforting to know that there are so many understanding people.

I must close for this time - perhaps my next letter will not be so dry. With very best regards to all.

Sincerely,

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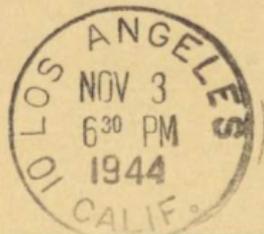
YMCA Area Office,
Los Angeles, Nov. 3, 1944

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

We are entirely out of the rosters,
but have asked Mrs. Marra, in our San Francisco office,
to correct one and send it to you.

Sincerely,

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman,
2234 Telegraph Avenue,
Berkeley-4, Calif.

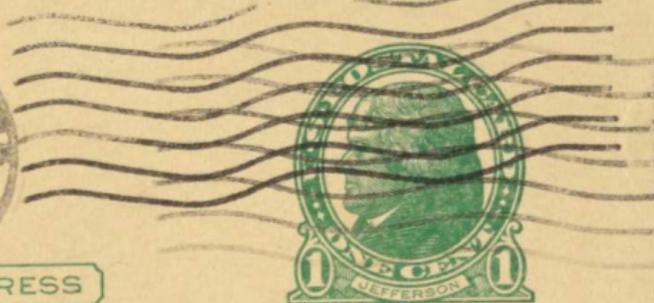
Thank you for your letter
of Oct 9th and for the
material you sent me
on loyal Japanese-Americans.
I am very much interested
in the improvement of
racial relations in this
country, and believe you
are doing a good job.

Again my thanks to you
and to Mrs. Hastings, at
whose request the
material was sent.

Sincerely,

Catherine Watkins

MRS. HARLAN R. WATKINS
1375 SO. BEVERLY GLEN BLVD.
LOS ANGELES 24, CALIF.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Committee on Amer. Principles
~~465 Calif. St.~~

~~2234 Telegraph Ave. Francisco 4, Calif.~~
Berkeley, 4, Calif.

Dear Minister Friend:

Sent out 150

In 1943 Armistice Day week many pastors in the Pasadena area cheered thousands of American Japanese in Relocation Centers and gave helpful direction to public thinking by preaching on the serious questions involved in this unprecedented treatment of 100,000 worthy people.

Over 12,000 American Japanese are wearing service uniforms, the 100th Battalion and 442nd Infantry have War Department citations for gallantry in Italy—scores have been killed and many hundreds wounded. A few students and families of soldiers are returning quietly to the West Coast. It is generally agreed that not over 50 to 60 per cent will ever return, but the Government and military give evidence of seeking public opinion support favorable to the return of those citizens who wish to return. Several leading Church Communion assemblies have passed resolutions promising friendly cooperation when the military gives the "green light."

Will the Ministers consider speaking again and continuing their help in this vital American and Christian problem? A three or four line report of what you do will be appreciated. Thank you. See Pres. Sproul's address at California Club—"The Test of a Free Country."

FOR THE COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN PRINCIPLES AND FAIR PLAY

J. E. BELL

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October 1944

GALE SEAMAN, 1419 North Rosemead Boulevard, San Gabriel



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs Ruth Kingman
2234 Telegraph Ave
Bekeley 4 Calif

November 4, 1944

Mr. Bartley C. Crum
Russ Building
235 Montgomery Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mr. Crum:

The Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play invites you to an informal meeting, Monday, November 13th, to discuss the problems related to the resettlement of Japanese-Americans.

The meeting will be held Monday, November 13, at 12:15 o'clock in the Y.W.C.A., 620 Sutter Street, on the third floor. Luncheon trays may be taken from the cafeteria to the third floor.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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November 4, 1944

Mrs. Marge Elkus
Columbia Foundation
Russ Building
835 Montgomery Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mrs. Elkus:

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Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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Miss Helen V. Bary
Social Security Board
785 Market Street
San Francisco 3, California

Dear Miss Bary:

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Miss Louise Cuddy
Travelers' Aid Society
Ferry Building
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Cuddy:

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Miss Nellie Woodward
Family Service Agency
68 Post Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Miss Woodward:

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Mr. Roger Dias
Junior Chamber of Commerce
553 Pine Street.
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mr. Dias:

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Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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Mrs. Allen Charles
212 Spruce Street
San Francisco 18, California

Dear Mrs. Charles:

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Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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Mr. Harold Wagner
Y. M. C. A.
220 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco 2, California

Dear Mr. Wagner:

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Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Room 203, 465 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

It is a matter of regret that I have a previous engagement which ties me up all day Monday, November 13. Accordingly, I will not be able to be present at the informal meeting under the auspices of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

With kindest regards,

Cordially,

Harold A. Wagner
Managing Director

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November 4, 1944

Miss Fay Lawson
Y. W. C. A.
620 Sutter St.
San Francisco 5, California

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Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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November 4, 1944

Miss Eva Hans
San Francisco Community Chest
45 2nd Street
San Francisco 5, California

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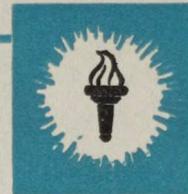
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November 6, 1944

45 Second St., San Francisco, 5

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

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you very much for your invitation to attend the meeting of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

I am sorry that I shall be unable to attend the meeting due to the fact that our Board of Directors meets at the same time and I must be present.

Cordially,

Eva Hance, Director
Social Planning Department

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November 4, 1944

Mr. Harold Winey
San Francisco Community Chest
45 2nd St.
San Francisco 5, California

Dear Mr. Winey:

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Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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Dr. Ernest Brice
417 Market Street
San Francisco, 5, California

Dear Dr. Price:

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November 6, 1944.

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I am exceedingly sorry that the necessity of my being present at a luncheon meeting here at our IPR offices at noon of Monday, November 13, makes it impossible for me to accept your invitation to attend your meeting at that time. I should very much like to have been able to accept.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest B. Price

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November 4, 1944

Mr. Harold Boyd
City Hall
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Boyd:

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Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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November 4, 1944

Mr. Davis MacEntyre
American Council on Race Relations
988 Market Street, Room 202
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. MacEntyre:

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Very sincerely yours,

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November 4, 1944

Father Peter Dunne
2130 Fulton Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Father:

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Executive Secretary

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Reverend John C. Leffler
St. Lukes Church
Clay and Van Ness Avenues
San Francisco 9, California

Dear Mr. Leffler:

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Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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November 4, 1944

Dr. Hubert Landram
Council of Churches
220 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, 2, California

Dear Dr. Landram:

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Executive Secretary

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you very much for your letter and the enclosures on the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

The enclosures gave us some valuable leads on the West Coast situation. We are particularly struck with the necessity of urging the War Department to make a clear-cut statement as soon as possible on the absence of any serious threat to the Pacific Coast.

We are grateful to you for your remarks about the Catholic Interracial Council of Los Angeles. Here in New York our Catholic Interracial Council has naturally many more problems dealing with Negro rights than those of Japanese Americans; but the problems are the same on the East and West Coasts, and we trust that the Catholic Interracial Council of Los Angeles will be able to give you some assistance in your work for American principles and fair play.

Very sincerely yours,

Charles Keenan, S. J.
Rev. Charles Keenan, S. J.
Managing Editor

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Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Exec. Secy.
Committee on American Principles & Fair Play
2234 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

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I wonder if your office wouldn't be pleased to send a folder full of literature, one copy of each, to Muriel Waltz, Committee on Race Relations, Student Christian Association, San Jose State College. They are woefully lacking in information down there and perhaps would send for further material if they had some idea of what you have available.

You asked me for a memorandum on my recent visit to the Peninsula area. Briefly, these are ^{some of} the persons whom I saw:

(Mrs. Morrow was out of town)

Inter-racial
Mr. Thor Krogh is Chairman of the Council and principal of the high school - very much concerned about the job they are trying to do down there. He is a person with whom you ought to talk. He can put you in touch with persons on the Steering Committee of the Council. Particularly, I believe you should see Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Ricketts.

William O'Donnell, editor of the Monterey Peninsula Herald, has a good objective attitude on this question. He covered the Carey McWilliams lecture very fairly but feels that the thing should not be pushed by the local paper. Certainly, however, the paper will not be antagonistic.

Perry Reel, president of the Chamber of Commerce, very much surprised himself, he said, at being impressed by Carey McWilliams. He is not apt to be particularly aggressive though his attitude is good.

Morgan King, AFL labor leader, formerly business agent for the AFL, now cracks the whip from outside official positions. He is recognized as the boss in labor circles. His personal attitude is excellent. He does not speak, however, for the union in that respect but he does think that the community will accept whatever the government orders. If the coast is opened and government sanction is given to this, he thinks they will fall into line.

Dr. Hugh Dormandy, at the local hospital. I had a long talk with him. He is rather shaky on his position, very much confused because of some personal relations with individual evacuees and particularly a young nurse whom he had raised and who at one point just after evacuation very much disappointed him. I don't like to go into personalities, but I believe we must face the fact that Dr. Dormandy is rather a lonely man. Possibly you would have some source of contact with his wife - a key socialite in the community. Mrs. Morrow might be able to give you some information about the family. I did not speak to her about them.

Father Durkin of the Catholic Church was out of town. Father McGovern who is just there temporarily has a good personal attitude but does not seem to be a strong personality.

Mr. W. H. Hansen, City Manager, does not have a particularly good attitude on this. He quoted me many of the trite stories about Japanese Naval officers and their fishing boats, etc. I doubt very much, however, whether he would offer any opposition leadership. In the first place there are too many well-known people on the "right side"; secondly, he pointed out that he believes this is a free country and people should go where they please.

I think this sufficiently covers the Peninsula area although I saw several other individuals here and there. Mrs. Morrow might be able to suggest people in Carmel. I saw no one there with the exception of Mr. Peter Ferrante.

Generally speaking, I feel that community sentiment in the Monterey-Carmel area is good and that an evacuee can go back there tomorrow and probably not face any great degree of opposition.

Much more important, of course, is the Salinas area where I think there is not much question but that general community sentiment is more unfavorable than in any other California community I have visited. Even those individuals in the community who are inclined to be friendly to particular evacuees seem to have "swallowed" the propaganda of the Chamber of Commerce. I discovered no one who would offer definite leadership to oppose the Chamber of Commerce point of view. I discovered many individuals whose personal attitudes were good but they are frightened to death insofar as expressing themselves publicly is concerned. Any missionary work in Salinas would be helpful. I think it would probably be worth your while if you have contacts to see leading businessmen, presidents of the local banks and Fred McCargar of the Chamber of Commerce whom I did not get to see because he was out of town. I might say that the attitude of the Mayor is quite objective and unemotional. The lettuce interests and shipping interests are very definitely most unreasoned in their hostility. The current story, and I don't know whether this is true or not, is that the bottom fell out of the lettuce market in Salinas last week because Japanese American lettuce growers in Idaho shipped 85 carloads of lettuce to the eastern markets. No one questions this story in Salinas, at any rate. Educational people in Salinas, with the exception of the Superintendent of Schools, have good attitudes but no one cares much what they think. I don't mean to paint the picture too black. I feel, for instance, that an evacuee could go back to Salinas and live there, probably walk up and down the streets without being molested, but that he probably would not be very happy there. If he were to farm, especially on a big scale, organized opposition would undoubtedly show its face against him.

I was in Watsonville for just an hour or so. Talked only to John McCarthy, attorney, deputy District Attorney, whose personal attitude is most excellent. He feels that it would not be particularly advisable for evacuees to come back there at this time. At the same time he recognizes that their situation is not nearly so bad as that in Salinas. He feels there is much more tradition of observance of law and order in Watsonville than in Salinas and there are people in Watsonville who will speak up on the question. He estimated that almost 100% of the agricultural and shipping people are opposed to the return of evacuees and that probably about 80% of the rest of the population agree. My guess is that these figures are a little high.

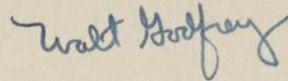
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I hope this will be of some help to you in anticipation of your visit with Mrs. Morrow in a few weeks. If you have any further questions in these matters I hope you will not hesitate to write.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Walt Godfrey". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Walt Godfrey

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UNITED STATES

Army Air Forces

November 4, 1944

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

I want to thank you and your friends again for your very fine efforts to help me in my recent problem. I'm sure that you already know the good news that War Department has approved my exception officially. I wanted to write sooner, but circumstances would not permit. I have just returned to Base after being away on detached duty for the past two weeks.

I sincerely hope you will not be offended because of the fact that I had so many people working on the case. After military channels were closed, I was afraid that everything was hopeless. I want you to know that it makes no difference to me who got there first - in fact, I do not know. I have a feeling that cannot be described - to know that there are people like you who will really stand up for me without asking for anything.

I want to do something to express my deep appreciation. I am hoping that I might do this partially by keeping you well informed of my experiences. I do not know exactly how much news of interest that the censors will allow to pass, but I will do the best I can.

I'm sure you know how happy and honored I am to finally win the opportunity to fight in the Pacific. I hope to establish a record that will be highly recognized and representative of the principles on which this Country is founded.

Our training is almost over, so perhaps in the near future I may have news of more interest. I must close for now - with best wishes and hoping all is well.

Your Friend

(signed) Sgt. Kuroki

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November 6, 1944

Rabbi Irving F. Reichert
Arguella & Lake Sts.
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Reichert:

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Mr. George Wilson
150 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California

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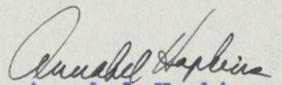
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Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Executive Secretary
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street, Room 203
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Mr. George Wilson is in the East
for the month of November and therefore will
be unable to attend your luncheon meeting
November 13.

Sincerely,


Annabel Hopkins
Office Secretary

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November 4, 1944

Mr. Richard M. Neustadt
785 Market Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Neustadt:

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Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
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November 6, 1944

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

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Mrs. Josephine Duveneck
1830 Sutter Street
San Francisco, California

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Executive Secretary

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November 4, 1944

Bishop James C. Baker
Methodist Church Headquarters
83 MacAllister St.
San Francisco, California

Dear Bishop Baker:

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THE CALIFORNIA AREA

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83 McALLISTER STREET
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November 7, 1944

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Room 203
465 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

My dear Mrs. Kingman:

Your invitation to Bishop Baker to meet with the Pacific Committee on American Principles and Fair Play on Monday, November 13, has come in his absence from the city. It is not likely that he will be in San Francisco on that date but should he be here I am sure he will want to be present.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Bishop Baker
San Francisco Office

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*Copy invitation
sent for Seattle
luncheon.*

Mr. Frank S. Bayley
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Bayley,

You are invited to attend a no host luncheon to be held on Thursday, November 16, at 12:15 o'clock in the Olympic Hotel, Parlor E-F.

The speaker at the luncheon will be Mr. Dillon S. Myer, National Director of the War Relocation Authority.

Mr. Myer is coming to the West Coast at the request of many persons who are interested in obtaining factual information concerning our government's present and future policy toward law abiding persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

We feel that Mr. Myer, both in his talk and in a short question period following, will contribute much toward a clarification of our knowledge of the facts bearing upon this challenging problem.

Very sincerely yours,

FRANK S. BAYLEY
HENRY ELLIOTT, JR.
JESSE STEINER

Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

345 Coleridge Avenue
Palo Alto, Calif.
November 7, 1944

Dr. Robert G. Sproul
University of California
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Dr. Sproul:

Mr. Stevens' inquiry on your behalf regarding Mr. Crotty's letter to you of October 6th came just as I was leaving home for a month's work at the Stanford CATS, as my address above shows.

After making inquiries at the best source, I can tell you that the Western Defense Command recently sent to a few parties the private and "Restricted Information" that it had permitted a considerable number of veterans of Japanese ancestry to return to this Coast. I judge that this has happened since Mr. Dillon Myer spoke in Los Angeles. Since this information was termed "Restricted", and since the Western Defense Command knows exactly to whom it was sent, it should obviously not be made public, nor be referred to in any communication you may have with General Bonesteel.

At the same time, however, this action supplies fresh evidence that the W.D. Command is moving cautiously toward restoring the constitutional rights of the evacuees, - a policy to which the civil officials of the War and other Departments are said to be committed. A major obstacle to the W.D. Command moving faster is doubt as to being able to count on sufficient support by leaders of public opinion on this Coast to prevent unfortunate incidents. The general intentions and attitude of General Bonesteel and his staff are sound, but they are not accustomed to gauging social forces and utilizing the instruments of social control, and perhaps they do not realize the tremendous prestige of the Army in wartime, and the possibility of mobilizing both the public (State and Federal and municipal) agencies of law, order and patriotism and the private agencies behind whatever policy the Army may decide to be compatible with national security and the achievement of our war aims.

In view of this situation therefore, I venture to believe that the time is at hand for you to write General Bonesteel along some such lines as are sketched on the enclosed sheet. Although Mrs. Kingman is in Seattle until next week, I believe she would concur with these suggestions, as they grow out of discussions that both she and I have had with men like Dillon Myer, Robert Cozzens, and others who are in close touch with the whole situation. I am sending her a copy of this letter.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher

Draft of suggested letter by Dr. Sproul to General Charles H. Bonesteel

Now that the election is past, and that obstacle to the dispassionate handling of the return of Japanese evacuees is removed, I wish, first of all, to assure you that this Committee on American Principles and Fair Play continues to be committed unreservedly to the principle that, in so far as national security is involved, decisions should be taken solely by the War Department. We have been gratified to note that, with the favorable turn of the Pacific war, the Western Defense Command has deemed it compatible with national security to allow a considerable number of evacuees to return, and that no untoward incidents have resulted.

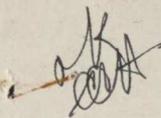
As you know, this Committee has never urged the precipitate return of the bulk of the evacuees. On the contrary, we hope that as many as practicable of them will remain permanently in the East, and we are pleased to learn that not a few of them intend to do so.

Regarding the national security aspect of the relaxation or revocation of the exclusion order we have no competence to express an independent opinion, but if you are in doubt respecting the probable public reaction to any decisive move in that direction, it may be that some of my associates in this Committee could be of assistance to you. I have in mind such well-known men as Maurice Harrison, lawyer and publicist, Alfred J. Lundberg, President of the Key System and former President of the State Chamber of Commerce, A.C. McGiffert, President of Pacific School of Religion, Chester H. Rowell, journalist, Rabbi Reichert of Temple Emanu-El, and Ray Lyman Wilbur, Chancellor of Stanford University; also, from the South, Homer Crotty, lawyer and chairman of the Fair Play Committee for that region, Dr. Robert A. Millikan, of California Institute of Technology, and from the Northwest, E.B. McNaughton, banker of Portland. I have not yet approached any of these men, and I fear that difficulties of transportation from north and south, together with conflicting demands on the time of very busy men may prevent attendance of several of them; but if you would like to have an informal conference with us, I shall do my best to arrange it at a time agreeable to you.

It occurs to me that one of the questions on which such men might throw some light is whether a clear-cut public proclamation by you, revoking or greatly relaxing the exclusion order (within certain reasonable limitations) would be preferable to the policy of allowing evacuees to trickle back without any such proclamation.

Sincerely yours

*Maj. Gen.
David R. Bonesteel*


Santa Ana, Calif.
Nov 7-1944.

American Principles & Fair Play -

Gentlemen;

Enclosed find ~~2.00~~ ^{2.00} membership
fee for my affiliation ^{with} ~~to~~ your
organization. Miss Edna Ingham
gave me your address. I have
been reading about the work
of "Fair Play" here in Calif.

I taught 15 yrs. in the East.
I think our educational in-
stitutions are the ones to
stand firmly for "fair play"
in war, as in peace. Otherwise,
in what light will our young
people, (both the ones who are

(2)

suffering persecution because of war hysteria, and also the ones who "watch this process," will view our "democratic justice," in its workings? All in the thin dress of a war alibi of west coast security?

I am afraid of what it will do to my children, to say nothing of Japanese American born citizens, and many of their parents: foreign because of inability to become citizens, even tho' they would love to do so!

I am corresponding with a very fine family in Tucson, Ariz. a neighbor of mine

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for 27 years. belonged to our
M. E. church, and all three
went to school with my
three children, and grad-
uated in their classes.

We know nothing unloyal
existed in this family.

Now I feel another great
injustice is being perpetrated
on this same family.

Escheat proceedings have
now been brought against these
boys, to deprive them of their
land, while the youngest
Mitsi Nitta is in the army
and the other two older boys
are in Poston, Relocation
Center Ariz with their father
S. Nitta.

(4)

I know we do not live under that kind of a system of jurisprudence!

I have always had an idea that this Calif land law, excluding Japanese ownership is more vulnerable than the old South's alibi "poll tax" and when routed out into the light of publicity, so all America can scrutinize it, will be remedied by Public Opinion, even tho' it ends in U. S. Supreme Court.

This may be the test case. Providence works in mysterious ways, its wonders to perform! These boys are college graduates,

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know their rights as American citizens, and they have made a good profit on this same land, under a Mexican foreman while they are absent from it in Boston. They have the best law firm in So. Calif and I believe they'll take it clear to the top, for a final decision.

These, are some of these postwar decisions that are so very important, so that our own children may not have their faith shaken in our democracy. That's why my pilot son's "missing" ^{at the Guadalcanal.} "must not be in vain!"
Aug 26 - 1942,

(6)

All our boys are fighting for a democratic America, that protects all within her land, insuring all equal opportunity without fear or favor -

The Colo. legislative body should have listened to the returned soldier, (upon the occasion of law disallowing land ownership to Japanese in process of discussion) when he arose in gallery and told them, he was disillusioned, and "that's what us boys are fighting for - all to share with equal opportunities here in America".

Yours,

Mrs. Roy A. Curry
2600 N First

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Dec 18-1944.

I mislaid my letter of Nov. 7. So will now mail it with this addition

Our first family (from Poston) has returned to Orange Co. I am sure we who believe in "Fair Play" must not be timid in asserting its principles, for these returned citizens of Japanese ancestry, are going to watch their former neighbors and churches very closely, to see how we measure up to our Christian democratic principles of church and school.

That will be the challenge and I have faith America will meet it satisfactorily.

I just now received a note from S. Nitta family at Poston

(b) that they have received their permits and will return first week in January to Santa Ana, their home on the farm, here at edge of city limits. They will be here when the escheat proceedings on their land begins. I am very happy over this turn of affairs.

I heard the Supreme Court decision via Radio that military necessity justified the evacuation of Japanese from Pacific Coast at the time it was done - But also "that no American citizen could be held against his will, without proof of guilt of disrupting the war effort, or enemy activity" So the ban is lifted.

- over -

☞ Enclosed are clippings from our local paper.

Law enforcing officials are sounding off in asinine accents concerning this situation. They sound like children.

I feel the Fair Play organization will need to keep "on its toes," now as never before -

Please send me literature or meeting dates that you have -

Sincerely

Mrs. Roy A. Curry

Our First M.E. Church here are going to stand by these families. They are members in Santa Ana.

Edwin R. Embree

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Director for Fellowships

November 7, 1944

Gentlemen: We are attempting to compile a handbook of organizations whose work has a direct or indirect bearing upon race relations. We think that the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play should be included.

Will you, at your earliest convenience, let us have a brief statement (500 words or less) covering the following points: (1) objectives of your organization; (2) date of its establishment; (3) activities in the field of race relations; (4) method of financing; (5) officers or board of directors; (6) paid staff; (7) publications in the field of race relations. If you have any printed or mimeographed literature covering these points, we should like very much to have copies.

We hope that the information compiled in this way will prove useful to all organizations active in this important field. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson
Charles S. Johnson

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Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
2207 Union Street
Berkeley, California

*Rationale
Brochure
everything we
have sent out*

Jim 2700

November 8, 1944

Miss McMullin:
465 California Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss McMullin:

Since Mrs. Kingman, will not be back until next week, I am forwarding the bills which have been received in this office. Also enclosed is the receipted bill from Lederer, Street & Zeus, which they sent here.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

November 8, 1944

Miss Muriel Waltz
Committee on Race Relations
Student Christian Association
San Jose State College
San Jose, California

Dear Miss Waltz:

At the suggestion of Mr. Walter Godfrey, I am sending you under separate cover material relative to the problems of loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry.

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

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
SEATTLE 5

November 8, 1944

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, Executive Secretary
Pacific Coast Committee on American
Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

This is in answer to your letter and invitation of November 6 addressed to President L. P. Sieg.

Dr. Sieg regrets that he will not be able to attend this luncheon since he is, at the present time, having to forgo gatherings of this kind. We find, however, that Dean Edward H. Lauer of our College of Arts and Sciences has been invited and is planning to attend the luncheon on November 16. In this case the University of Washington will be ably represented.

Very truly yours,

Dorothy M. Chittenden
Secretary to President

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November 8, 1944

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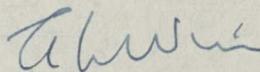
Some time ago I wrote to you asking for a list of names of persons to whom the Brief of the Japanese American Citizens League, filed in the Korematsu case, might be sent--for general educational purposes.

The Brief, a copy of which I am forwarding under separate cover, contains a rather caustic reply to General DeWitt's report.

May I have such a list from you now?

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,



A. L. Wirin

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Nov. 9, 1944.

Fair Play files

Mr. Galen Fisher
c/o Committee on American Principles
and Fair Play
2234 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, Calif.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

For a number of years I have been associated with Japanese-Americans in connection with my school work. For this reason I have taken a keen personal interest in the methods which have been employed by those in authority (and by some without authority) during this emergency. Your articles in the Christian Century were a great help to those of us who needed factual information.

I have been appointed Editor for the next issue of the California Principal's Association Yearbook. The title will be Education for Cultural Unity. Copies of the outline are inclosed. We are becoming increasingly conscious of a growing racial tension in California and many school people are looking for means to overcome this condition.

If you can find time to read and criticize the outline it will be very helpful to our Editorial Committee. I would be very happy to have you contribute an article if there is a topic in the outline which interests you and which has not already been taken.

Thank you for any consideration.

Sincerely,

N. D. Myers
N. D. Myers

Duplicate returned to N.S. Myers by Fisher

Inclusiveness

Education for Cultural Unity

I. What is an American? (one article) See Ballad for Americans and Archibald MacLeish's The Land of the Free, for definitions.

II. Issues in intercultural education.

- A. Segregation; *residential, occupational, religious, recreational, social.*
- B. Teaching of ~~the~~ foreign languages in the elementary *and high* schools. *living*
- C. So-called superior and inferior races.
- D. Recognition of contributions of racial minority groups in the U.S.
- E. Teaching cultures other than that of the dominant ⁿ group and encouraging appreciation of them.

III. The intercultural problem from the point of view of -

- A. An anthropologist.
- B. A sociologist
- C. An economist.
- D. A psychologist
- E. Religious leader.

IV. Some of our social groups speak from their experience.

A. American citizens of Negro, Mexican, Jewish, Chinese, *Filipino*, Indian and Japanese racial origin will be asked to respond briefly to a list of questions such as:

1. What is the attitude of your group toward segregation?
2. What problems have you met in growing up in American public schools and communities which you regard as caused by your racial origin?
3. What is your reaction to the degree of equal opportunity for your racial group?
4. How can the public schools be of greater service in this field?
5. *What agencies have been most helpful to you and non-discriminatory in their racial attitudes?*

Should it be defined, as in II, A?

V. Techniques.

- A. The place of intercultural education in the curriculum.
- B. A unit of work.
- C. A community program.
- D. Adult education.
- E. A special problem -- the return of the Nisei.
- F. Reports on various techniques of promise from many school districts.

VI. Selected bibliography of useful books, magazines, visual aids and other teaching devices.

5. What activities in your community have encouraged you by showing a non-discriminatory, inclusive attitude?

Hiett & O'Reilly

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102 SECURITIES BUILDING
SEATTLE 1, WASHINGTON

Nov. 9, 1944

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Pacific Coast Committee on
American Principles and Fair Play
2234 Telegraph Ave.
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

The letters were mailed to the list
of 123 names as scheduled and the list mailed to
Miss Madsen.

As we were 4 letterheads and envelopes
short we used plain paper and envelopes for them, simply
writing the committee name in caps across the top. Hope
this was satisfactory to you.

Thank you so much for the order.

Sincerely yours,

Hiett & O'Reilly MIMEO

Ellen Hiett

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reply
11/22/44
HARUO ISHIMARU

% Yankton College, Yankton, South Dakota

November 10, 1944

Dear Mrs. Spingarn,

Upon the suggestion of the Student Relocation Council, I am writing to you for your kind assistance in my case.

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Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

Haruo Ishimaru

1012 Pine
Yankton, S. D.

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Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

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Haruo Ishimaru

[Handwritten initials]

Hotel Shattuck

BERKELEY 4, CALIFORNIA

November 11, 1944

Dear Sir-

If you are sending out the three articles mentioned in the September number of the *Pierra Educational News* I should like to have them. The articles are:—

- 1- American Fighting Men Speak Out
- 2- Beyond the Horizon
- 3- A Balance Sheet in Japanese Evacuation.

I am a member of the League of Women Voters and interested in the subject matter of these articles.

Thanking you, I remain

Yours truly,

(Miss) Florence B. Stanton

Room 304

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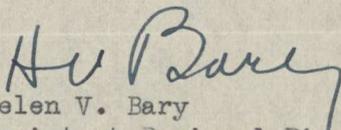
Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary
Pacific Coast Committee on
American Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street, Room 203
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Thank you very much for your invitation to the
meeting of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles
and Fair Play.

We are holding a conference in the regional office
on Monday which may prevent my attendance. I hope, however,
that I can arrange to be present.

Sincerely yours,


Helen V. Bary
Assistant Regional Director



November 13, 1944

Miss McMullin
465 California Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss McMullin:

The following contributions have been received
in this office:

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Fresno, California

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San Francisco, Community Chest
San Francisco, California

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Very sincerely yours,

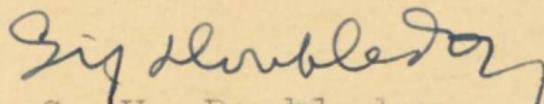
Office Secretary

November 13, 1944

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INTER-RACIAL COMMISSION OF THE
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES:

We are holding a very important meeting of the Race Relations Commission at the Hotel Californian Wednesday, November 22nd, at 12:15. We shall endeavor to eat together in the main dining room. If this is not possible we shall have our lunch and meet together in one of the mezzanine rooms.

Yours sincerely,



G. Y. Doubleday
Chairman



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. Ruth Kingman
2234 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley 4, California

212 SPRUCE STREET
SAN FRANCISCO 18, CALIFORNIA

Nov 13, 1944

Mrs. Ruth Kingman

Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
Berkeley

My dear Mrs. Kingman,

I am particularly sorry to find myself home to-day with some persistent bug, instead of at your informal meeting on the resettlement of the Japanese -Americans.

This subject is one in which I am very much interested, and I thank you for including me in your discussion group. I should appreciate being informed of further action on your part, when it is convenient; and further meetings if they are open to me.

My husband and I expect to be on a trip to



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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

Your communication arrived in the midst of our fund raising campaign. I will, therefore, have to ask you to forgive my delay in answering.

In any event, I am afraid I cannot be of much help to you at this time as I simply do not know persons whom I feel might be relied upon to take an active interest in this problem.

There has been some newspaper discussion of it here, but very little active interest on either side in the City of Seattle itself.

There has been considerable activity in Kent and on Bainbridge Island, but I regret my acquaintance and knowledge of people does not extend to those areas.

Very truly yours,

Lewis F. Shaw
Administrative Director

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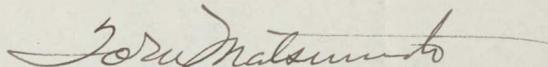
Dear Mrs. Kingman:

We are now preparing the Christmas issue of the Resettlement Bulletin.

We should very much like to include a message from San Francisco. May we, therefore, ask you to send us a message by November 27th--about 200 words in length, including some news which will be of interest to our readers?

Thanking you for your cooperation,

Sincerely,



Toru Matsumoto
Assistant to the Executive Secretary

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November 15, 1944

Mr. Togo Tanaka
American Friends Service Committee
189 West Madison Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Tanaka:

Thank you very much for the excellent Report on Chicago Resettlement which accompanied your letter of November 2nd.

We have not published anything since Dr. Sproul's speech of June 29, 1944, (enclosed). Our present program is devoted entirely to covering as many towns and cities of the Coast as possible, locating potential support for a modification of the present exclusion orders, if and when the War Department makes such a move.

This effort is occupying all available personnel and budget, but we feel it is worth the effort.

We will be glad to receive any further reports from your office.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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FREDERIC M. DUCKLES
1121 BREWSTER DRIVE
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EL CERRITO, CALIFORNIA

Nov. 15. 1944

Dear Dr. Fisher:-

Thank you for your
article in Nov. 8th Christian Century.
That gives us some facts to back up
the work for our Japanese friends.
I wish I could get about two dozen
reprints of that story. Can you
arrange for reprints or should I
write to the Christian Century?

Truly Yours
Fred Duckles



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