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FRESNO CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE AND  
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COLLEGE OF THE PACIFIC

STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 21, 1943

*Ans. 4/29/43*

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman  
2207 Union Street  
Berkeley, California

Dear Ruth:

Since receiving your letter, we have talked with Dr. Trueblood and have tried to set a time for a meeting of a group of representative citizens to consider a Fair Play Committee in Stockton. He has shown us your letter to him stating that Mr. Blaisdell is very busy and it would be necessary to communicate with him concerning the date. We, therefore, felt that before contacting the group here it would be wise to secure tentative dates from him.

On consulting my own schedule I find that I can be free Tuesday, April 27 and 28, and it would be hard to hear from you and contact a local group as early as that. Later dates would be May 6 and 7, and May 12 and 13. If Mr. Blaisdell or one of your representatives could be here on any of those dates please notify us and we will contact the local group.

Sincerely yours,

*Juliy C. Knoles -*

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Reply #28/43

365 Meridian St.,  
Fresno, California,  
April 26, 1943.

Mrs. Harry Kingman,  
2207 Union Street,  
Berkeley, California.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

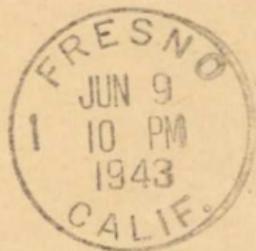
At the last meeting of our Committee on American Principles and Fair Play the question was brought up as to what could be done in the way of protesting the misrepresentation of the American-Japanese as depicted in such motion pictures as "Air Force" and others. May we ask what the San Francisco Committee does by way of protest in this line, and invite your suggestions as to a course we might follow?

Also, we are contemplating the use of a bulletin to keep our members informed of matters pertinent to this subject. If the San Francisco Committee issues such a bulletin we would appreciate being put on your mailing list. If not, may we ask you to inform us, from time to time, of actions taken by your committee and to pass on to us any information that might be of value to us in this work?

Very sincerely yours,

*Eunice A. Roth*

Eunice A. Roth, Secretary,  
Fresno Committee on American Principles  
and Fair Play



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. Ruth Kingman  
2207 Union St.  
Berkeley  
Calif.

JO

Reply 6/11/ sent.

6-9-43

PS

Please send about a dozen  
copies of the statement of purpose  
(mimeographed ones) & the same number  
of letterheads with all the Exec. & Adv.

Com. names

— Margaret Cosgrave

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June 10, 1943.

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

It might be well  
to get the names of the writers of the  
attached letters on your mailing list.  
You need not return them.

Best wishes,

Mr. Hubert Phillips.

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Fowler, Calif.

June 24, 1943

Committee on American Principles and Fair Play  
465 California St., San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sirs:

The publicity committee of the Fresno Branch is sending out letters of protest to the various valley organizations that have taken action against the release or eventual return of the Japanese. We should like to include the little pamphlet in which you list the four government policies and then the committee principles. Could we have three or four dozen copies of it, please?

I sincerely hope that the central committee will vigorously protest Governor Warren's recent statement opposing release (at the governor's conference). He's backtracked before on this issue, but I really didn't expect this of him.

... A terribly damaging stand!

Also I do hope that some liberal hegion man will write a counter - article against Munnep's (America hegion Magazine, June). That article will receive credence not among the liberal group where resettlement is comparatively easy, but among the working and farming classes where resettlement is already difficult. It seems to me a fair statement is absolutely essential.

Sincerely

Alice Horen,

Chairman, Publicity Committee

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copy of  
letter to state  
dept  
7/1/43

Route 1, Box 171  
Fowler, California  
June 26, 1943

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

Dear Sirs:

Enclose a clipping on action by a local group on the Japanese problem. Frankly what's left of the publicity committee, after the summer exodus, which committee is trying to write letters to all such organizations pointing out the error of their ways, doesn't know what to say about the \$200,000,000 in unperfected Japanese credits. Does it belong to the Japanese government, to business firms of Japan, or whose is it? Where is it? And why should it be used (or rather should it be used) for the support of the relocation centers?

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

Alice Horen  
Publicity chairman, Fresno  
branch

Committee on American Principles and  
Fair Play

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Dresner, Calif.

August 17, 1943

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Dear Mrs. Krugman -

Enclosed is my check and the delay is due to clearing with ATT for I wasn't sure whether she had sent one check in for both of us. I was certainly pleased to have been in on the luncheon & to hear DM's statements.

Do you have any of the pamphlets the WPA issued recently refuting Townsend's statements before the Dies Committee? I want a few. The July 24 Heart Mt. Sentinel quotes from the pamphlet.

Best sincerely,  
Margaret Cosgrave

Reply to RW  
12/11/43

FRESNO STATE COLLEGE  
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF  
THE DEAN OF WOMEN

December 3, 1943

Dear Ruth Kingman:

Well, things have been doing since I saw you last and I have no doubt but that you have been buzzing in your office. We have been greatly interested in the telegrams which you sent to Washington and will be grateful for any light on this whole Tule Lake Subject. The same old people seem to be on the job, Engle, Costello, etc.

We had a meeting of our Committee on Monday and some very interested people turned out. Some new people came who are friends of Dr. Hashiba. Everyone feels very keenly the cruel thing which has been done to him. Do you have a copy of the Bee article in which he is accused of being a ringleader of disturbances? Letters from him to friends here in Fresno are very pitiful.

How would you suggest that we go about getting some information about Dr. Hashiba? There are two questions we would like answered. One, did he sign Question No. 28 in the negative? (We have not the slightest idea that he did and his letters confirm that) and No. 2, did Mr. Best say that he was a ringleader of disturbances? Of course, a letter from Dillon Meyer would have no effect on the Bee which would just call him a liar but it would be ammunition for us and could be used effectively with such bodies as the Fresno County Medical Society.

We have never had any membership cards from your office and should be glad to have them. We number about seventy now and I think we should be getting some more people very soon. I want to see the rest of that money raised for our quota.

May I add two names to the list of members, Mrs. Henry Diel, 540 Fresno Street, and Mrs. L. L. Palmer, 126 Meridian. We are all trying to figure out some way to get some of your material to mail to a few people who are not on our membership list but who should be and who are sympathetic.

We have had a great blow in the resignation of Monseignor Dowling. Personally, his attitude is not changed but his excuse is that the matter was becoming too controversial and for the sake of the church he felt he should withdraw his name.

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The Committee is inspired with the idea of trying to get Mrs. Pearl Buck to come to Fresno for a general meeting sponsored by some better known group although some think we should sponsor her. Do you have any ideas whether there is any possibility of interesting her and how she may be reached?

Good luck to you. We will be glad to hear any news and are you going to send us some more material or has the Tule Lake changed the aspect of things too much.

Sincerely yours,

*Mary C. Baker*

Mary C. Baker  
Dean of Women.

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Fresno, Calif.  
Jan. 11, 1944

Dear Mrs. Kingman —

It occurred to me that you might not have seen a copy of the enclosed statistics on Mayaguez. No doubt you have heard that Donnell's committee sounded out sentiment about hearings in the Mayaguez region & got the cold shoulder. The Inyo residents said everything was all right there & they didn't need any investigations.

What's happening to Mr. Jamison's S.F. session? Any dates set?

I hope that you'll be around Berkeley on Sat., Jan. 22, when I expect to be there. I've had no luck the last two trips but maybe this will be better.

Sincerely,

Margaret Cosgrave

3/20/44  
MJ

1644 Van Ness Avenue  
Fresno-1, California  
March 16, 1944

Dear Mary Jefferds:

Before I sent you that copy of Wesley Waite's letter, I asked his permission and he gave it. Boys in the service are not permitted to write to government officials, I understand, but they can express opinions to private individuals and I think that Wesley would not object. I can't say definitely that he gave permission to use his name for I don't believe that I asked him that question. To be on the safe side, perhaps it would be best just to use his initials or list him as a Fresno State College alumnus.

The treasurer of the local group is Mr. Irvine P. Aten, Helm Building, Fresno-1. Perhaps the postal system lets us down occasionally because I know that I sent his name to you last year. I have nothing to do with the money collected here and am surprised that you received no reply to your inquiry from Miss Baker or Dr. Phillips. Miss Baker asked me some time ago if I had ever received a membership card which someone told her had been sent to the Fresno members. None of us ever received anything of the sort, as far as I know. Mr. Aten has the information concerning the amounts paid by each person and I am sure that he can provide you with the figures

Very sincerely,

Margaret Cosgrave

P.S. - Enclosed is one of my versions of the K. speed. It is like the WPA one except in different paragraphing & a little better unisographing. If you want the stencils, let me know, but I imagine you won't.

LAW OFFICES  
IRVINE P. ATEN AND RICHARD V. ATEN  
HELM BUILDING  
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

March 21st, 1944.

Committee on Fair Play,  
Room 203,  
465 California Street,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Madam:           Attention Mary Jeffords:

In response to your letter of March 20th, concerning the payments made by the individual members here, I believe you have already at your office a list of the membership with their addresses.

All paid the regulation \$2.00 membership fee, and from my records available here now, the following persons paid the sums indicated opposite their name which includes the \$2.00 fee.

Miss. Mary C. Baker, \$5.00  
Mitchell P. Briggs, \$3.00  
Mr. George Cosgrave, \$5.00  
Miss. Margaret Cosgrave, \$10.00  
Miss. Alice Hoein, \$10.00  
Mrs. Wilma F. Whight, \$4.00  
Olive Steeve, \$10.00

It seems that no membership cards were ever sent to anyone of the local committee, and if you are taking subscriptions for another year, it seems to me that it might be a good time to issue such cards from your office by way of receipt and a membership.

Very truly yours,

*Irvine P. Aten*

4/27/44  
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1644 Van Ness Ave.

Fresno - 1

April 26 -

Dear Mary Jeffords -

Thank you for the copy of the  
Tule Lake letter - it interests all who  
read it. Mr. Fisher sent me one of the  
new booklets and I'd like about 25  
and enclose my check. I want the  
soldier letter one, of course.

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Sincerely,

Margaret Conger