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remained 'incredibly normal'. That
can be said for so few people
these days!

At any rate, I should like
to return to the original subject
of this letter - your article.
Both my sister (who is visiting
me here for a few months) and
I thought it beautifully
done. We intend to keep it
to show any friends who may
have doubted as to how a
Japanese-American can feel.
In fact, Audrey has taken it
to her government laboratory
today "to educate" the boss,
she told me!

Incidentally, I'm so glad you
quoted Snow's Wolfe and
Bunel. I think they are my
favorite moderns.

A great deal of luck
to you -

Sincerely,
Margery Evernden Gulbransen

GEORGE E. OUTLAND
11TH DISTRICT
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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1944.

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

Dear Ruth:

Thanks so much for your recent letter. I do appreciate hearing from friends, especially these days. Right now things seem to be comparatively quiet on the Japanese front, but I imagine it will not be long before someone stirs up the animals again.

Let me know when you **expect** to be in Washington, as I shall look **forward very** much to seeing you. Very best wishes to you,

Cordially,

George

George E. Outland

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*How are you?
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March 2, 1944

Mrs. C.M. Siegley
2712 10th North
Seattle 5

Dear Mrs. Siegley:

The general situation really seems to be looking up, as far as prejudice against the evacuees goes. No small part of the improvement is traceable to the reports of the 100th Battalion's valor in Italy, and to the remarkable impression made by Sgt. Kuroki's speech to the 600 men at Commonwealth Club luncheon a month ago. They gave him a standing ovation. We plan to issue extracts from that speech in pamphlet form shortly, also extracts from nisei letters from the front, and about nisei by white servicemen.

I was away in Washington working for O.S.S. for several weeks, and when I returned, found that the Treasury was in need of prompt replenishment. It is about your getting in members' fees and contributions in your area that I particularly wish to write. No doubt you already have a considerable number of members enrolled and some fees in hand. If so, send the money soon to Mrs. Kingman. If you have not yet got busy on this, won't you and your keenest financial backers do so as soon as possible. You know how generously Headquarters has supported you during the last few months, but always with the definite understanding that the Seattle group would gradually assume the big end of the load.

Let me give you a fresh and significant statement by the Commander of the California State Legion, Wm. P. Houghton, in his column in the Calif. Legionnaire of Feb. 15:
"Numerous persons of Japanese ancestry are now serving with the armed forces of our country on the battle fronts, and according to all reports, are serving valiantly and well. We salute all men and women who love this country enough to fight and, if needs be, die for it. Every person good enough to fight for us is entitled to our respect and equal protection under the constitution." That is really evidence of conversion.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher

JACK McWALTER

ARTHUR G. BARNETT

JOHN D. McLAUCHLAN, JR.

McWALTER, BARNETT & McLAUCHLAN
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
NORTHERN LIFE TOWER
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
SENECA 1180

March 2, 1944.

Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
Room 203, 465 California Street
San Francisco 4, Calif.

Gentlemen:

I have just received your enclosure entitled "Sgt. Ben Kuroki:
Commonwealth Club Speech."

It occurs to me that you should send a copy of this to every
member of the Unity Committee appointed by William Devin, Mayor
of Seattle, to assist in studying the race and minority prob-
lems of Seattle.

The Chairman of the Committee is Mr. George Greenwood, President
of the Pacific National Bank, Seattle, Washington, to whom I am
sending a copy of this letter.

Knowing something of your Committee and of the distinguished
personnel comprising it, I think possibly almost all of the
members of our Seattle Unity Committee should be on your address
list. This matter of addresses I will leave to Mr. Greenwood or
Mayor Devin.

Respectfully yours,

Arthur G. Barnett
per FH

Arthur G. Barnett

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March 7, 1944

Mr. Arthur G. Barnett
Northern Life Tower
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Barnett:

We have received your letter of March 5, requesting that your name be put on our mailing list.

We are sending you several pieces of material, together with the excerpt from Sgt. Ben Kuroki's speech before the San Francisco Commonwealth Club. At your suggestion we are also sending copies to Mayor Devin and to Mr. George Greenwood. We have as yet received no list of the members of the Seattle Unity Committee.

I have asked our Chairman in Seattle, Mr. Frank S. Bayley, to talk with you explaining our policies and methods.

We greatly appreciate your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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March 3, 1944.

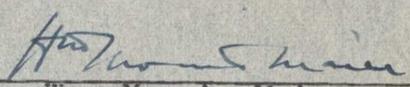
Miss Mary Jefferda,
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play,
465 California St., San Francisco, California.

Dear Miss Jefferda:

We are wondering what has happened to the balance of the copies of Galen Fisher's article. Some 300 arrived quite a while ago but nothing since then. I am waiting to send the check until we see if the others come.

Thank you for forwarding copies to Mr. Farrington at Washington. I know he will find them useful.

Very sincerely yours,


Wm. Morris Maier
Executive Secretary.

March 29, 1944

Mr. Wm. M. Maier
American Friends Service Committee
Y.W.C.A. Bldg.
Honolulu 9, Hawaii

Dear Mr. Maier:

Since the entire 500 copies of Mr. Fisher's pamphlet were mailed some months ago, the 200 you have not yet received we shall count as lost in transit.

I shall mail you 200 more copies as soon as the printer comes through with our recent order, which should be early next week.

If you receive more than five hundred in the long run, please let us know, and satisfactory arrangements can be made.

I am very sorry you have been inconvenienced, but I imagine such shipping difficulty is to be expected. We shall not expect the check until you have received your complete order.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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MARJORIE ELKUS
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 3, 1944

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

The enclosed article, which was printed in the interim report on the operations of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company, came to my attention recently, and I thought it was such a fine expression of attitude by an industrial firm that you might be interested in sending it along to certain of your selected sources of publication. The article, which I have marked in red pencil, appears on the last page.

Also, at a recent meeting of my Board one of the members commented on the splendid effect the articles now appearing in the Chronicle, written by the staff writer William Flynn on the Problem of Nisei Resettlement in Utah, are making on American public opinion. The suggestion was made that perhaps a few letters should go forward to the Chronicle expressing approval of this type of publication. I plan to write. Do you think it might be well for you to do likewise?

Very truly yours,

Marjorie Elkus
 (Mrs.) Charles deY. Elkus, Jr.
 Executive Director

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GEORGE H. GREENWOOD
PRESIDENT

March 3, 1944

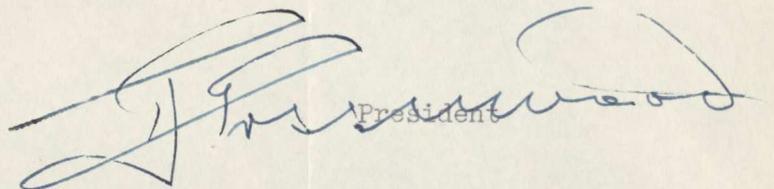
Committee on American Principles
and Fair Play
Room 203, 465 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

Gentlemen:

Mr. Arthur G. Barnett has just shown me a mimeographed copy of the speech of Sgt. Ben Kuroki before the Commonwealth Club. I have just been named Chairman of a Committee on Civic Unity here in Seattle for the purpose of studying and trying to relieve racial tensions.

Having in mind the fact that your Committee has probably issued other printed matter, I would appreciate receiving copies of what you have already published and being placed on your mailing list for future issues.

Yours very truly,


President

GHG:mr

March 7, 1944

Mr. George H. Greenwood
Pacific National Bank
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Greenwood:

We have received your letter of March 3,
requesting that your name be put on our mail-
ing list.

We are sending you several pieces of material,
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speech before the San Francisco Commonwealth Club.

I have asked our Chairman in Seattle,
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policies and methods.

We greatly appreciate your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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Night Letter

Miss Priscilla Beattie
421 Sequoia Dr.
Pasadena, Calif.

March 4, 1944

Delighted to receive your joint communication. Have already discussed the matter with Dr. McGiffert ~~and~~ Maurice Harrison and others. Immediate action is pending and a favorable recommendation is expected. I will keep you informed.

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman



NORTHFIELD POST NO. 84

Northfield, Minnesota

Northfield, Minn.,
March 4, 1944.

Mr. Wm. C. Carr,
Pasadena, Calif.

I am sorry that you people have been compelled to wait so long for an answer from me but I had a severe attack of the flu just before Christmas and have been on a sick list with arthritis since the second week in January. I have been taking treatments in Minneapolis for the past five weeks and so haven't been in close contact with the committee here.

I received a letter from Dr. Paul and also from the San Francisco Secretary as well as the communications from yourself. Will you let the rest know that I will get in touch with the Committee next week and we will decide what to do at that time?

Briefly, this would necessarily be a job for the Department of Minnesota rather than Post #84. Mr. Meldahl, on our committee here is District Chairman of Americanism and the State Chairman, Joseph Kise, is a personal friend of Meldahl, an educator at a State Teachers College and was an enthusiastic supporter of our resolution at the State Convention. I might also add that, from what I have heard indirectly, Mr. Kise is not at all in accord with the views of Chaillaux, the National Americanism Chairman. Meldahl, as District Chairman of this District automatically becomes a member of the State Committee and will wield considerable influence but I hasten to tell you that I would not be too optimistic over the acceptance of your suggestion.

KISE: PRONOUNCED KEY-ZEE

If we are successful in interesting the State Committee I believe that matters would be helped materially if a number of strong members of your group, particularly men associated with institutions of higher learning and the legal profession and in business would contact Mr. Kise direct, but do not attempt this until you hear from me again.

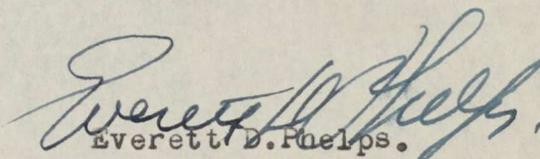
I am feeling a little better but there is still room for improvement. It may seem strange that some other members of the committee here haven't answered your communications, but although the other two members are ardent liberals and heartily in accord with your program, it seems that they are always busy and as in most committees on any movement there is usually one who has to sort of keep the thing moving. As soon as I get things into routine again, which should be next week I will let you know what decision we have arrived at.

Last week end I left a copy of Sgt. Kuroki's speech with the committee and I could only see each of them for a few moments because I had to return immediately to Minneapolis. They seemed to feel that it was too long to be effective in the manner that you wished it to be used and it was suggested that perhaps the Reader's Digest would accept it, which I very much doubt. The folder you circulated, "United We Stand" was well and favorably received here and as I recall earlier conversations, that type of persuasion seemed regarded as the best, but I can tell you more next week.

I am happy to tell you that the daily papers here in the midwest area have given the widest publicity to the heroism and intense loyalty of our Japanese-American comrades and the few who objected in the beginning to our defense of these people have either altered their views or are keeping silent.

I am extremely sorry that we have apparently slowed down here in committee activity but I am sure that you out there will understand. You can depend upon hearing from me within two weeks, if I continue to improve. You will bear with me that arthritis is no joke, particularly to one who never went round, always straight through.

Very truly yours,


Everett D. Phelps.

You people out there are certainly doing a fine job. How you ever accomplished it against the tremendous odds is more than I can understand.

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218 South Avon Street
St. Paul 5, Minnesota
March 5, 1944

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

Dear Ruth Kingman:

It was wonderful to hear from you in January and I appreciate learning about the moving of our goods and property. I filled the papers which you kindly enclosed for us and sent them on to San Francisco on February 4. I have not heard from them as yet, but no doubt it does take time to check over matters and make arrangements. I am surely looking forward to receiving the goods since our parents will re-locate as soon as we can get settled.

I have been invited to give a lecture at the University of Minnesota in the course on "Racial and Cultural Democracy," and I am trying to organize the material to present. I would appreciate if your office will send me any material which I might study. I will be glad to mail it back to you when I have finished. I have copies of the Tolson Report, the book by Carey McWilliams on "Brothers Under the Skin" and I have just mailed an order to the J.A.C.L. office for a number of copies of "A Balance Sheet on Japanese Evacuation," by Galen M. Fisher which I will distribute to the class. There are over a hundred students in the class, the majority are school teachers of Minneapolis and St. Paul. The local W.R.A. office has mailed me a number of leaflets which I find very helpful. Any suggestions you have will be deeply appreciated.

Do hope you enjoyed a good vacation in January. With our best wishes to you and cordial greetings.

Yone and William Minami's address is: 349 So. St. Louis Avenue
Chicago 24, Illinois.

Most sincerely,

Ruth Tanbara

Enclose stamps and news-item.

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'ESCAPE' STUDIES POPULAR—

Art Courses Favored

Arts, philosophy and literature, rather than wartime technical subjects, are the most popular studies of the General Extension Division of the University of Minnesota.

Several hundred courses are offered but students evidently are seeking studies as an "escape" from wartime stresses.

The General Extension Division had a higher enrollment during the Fall semester than it had a year ago, Julius M. Nolte, division director, revealed in announcing that evening classes for the second semester will start Feb. 7 with registration beginning Monday.

For the period now ending extension classes in the Twin Cities and Duluth totalled 4,641 with 4,239 additional students taking work by correspondence.

Emphasis during the Spring semester will be on a new course in racial and cultural democracy. Following three basic lectures the classes will be resolved into a sort of town meeting, with members of minority groups stating their problems.

Among the speakers will be S. Vincent Owens, secretary of the St. Paul Urban League on the Negro case; Louis Gross and Mrs. Arthur Brin of Minneap-

olis on the Jewish case; Mrs. Ruth Tanbara of St. Paul, Japanese-American; James Jang, Chinese-American; J. B. Calva, the Mexican problem. Among the summarizers will be Rev. Francis Gilligan of the Minnesota racial commission; Charles Horn, president of the Federal Cartridge Corp.; Ray Wentz of the labor division of the War Production Board.

Prof. Theodore Brameld of the university and Rev. Wallace Robbins will discuss the parents' part in educating for tolerance.

More War Ads Asked For Small Papers

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A congressman-publisher proposed legislation Sunday designed to encourage more war advertising in smaller newspapers.

The bill, by Representative Dworshak (R., Idaho) would prohibit income tax deductions on advertising expenditures "for the promotion of government objectives in wartime" unless the advertising ratio was the same in localities of 10,000 population or less, as prevailed in the individual's peacetime advertising.

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MONDAY AFTERNOON

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March 18, 1944

Mrs. Ruth Tanbara
218 South Avon St.
St. Paul 5, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Tanbara:

I am writing for Mrs. Kingman, who is, at present in the South, in regard to your letter of March 5th. I have sent under separate cover, a good deal of material which you may find of some help. The only material which we would like returned when you have finished using it are the 1) Topaz High School Annual, and 2) the COMMONWEAL.

I hope this will be the sort of thing that will aid you.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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March 6, 1944

Commander Wm. P. Haughton
Veterans Memorial Bldg.
Pacific Center
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Commander Haughton:

It was with gratification that I read your editorial in the California Legionnaire of February 15th. We have always felt that the responsible leaders and members of the American Legion could be counted upon to take the attitude so well expressed by you, relating to men and women of Japanese ancestry in our armed forces.

We are in complete agreement with you that persons convicted of disloyalty to the United States should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

It is a fine thing to feel that the Legion is pointing out the fact that the excellent record and deportment of the Americans of Japanese ancestry in our army makes valid the claim of this small minority to full rights as guaranteed by our Constitution.

Very sincerely yours,

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

RWK:mj

TELEGRAM

March 6, 1944

Alexander Meiklejohn
2900 Connecticut Ave.
Washington, D.C.

Can you give me any lead re your friend Jack's official or unofficial reaction to latest petitions of citizens facing resumption selective service. Committee drafting strong endorsement of general emphasis of petition wishes to do so in support of your friend Jack if possible. If you can get any lead please phone me collect Ashberry 6214 Wednesday morning P.S.T. otherwise wire.

Ruth W. Kingman

March 6, 1944

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Mr. Miller Freeman
124 W. Fourth St.
Los Angeles 12, Calif.

Dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for your letter of January 22nd, which has had to await my return from a month's absence. In it you clearly set forth your views on the persons of Japanese ancestry in this country, and wish to know how far this Committee agrees with you. Let me reply as explicitly as seems practicable.

1. Maintenance of the full constitutional rights of citizens of Japanese ancestry is one of our basic principles. We believe *with you that any steps toward depriving them of these rights is a blow at the rights of all citizens.* This cardinal principle underlies *our* whole program.

2. As to punishment of "the disloyal," we agree with you, *provided that* disloyalty is determined either by overt act or by the "due process" guaranteed by the Constitution. As to the persons segregated at Tule Lake from our knowledge of the facts, we doubt *that the procedures followed in determining "disloyalty" would satisfy a competent court.*

3. We have never considered *the question of* "control by the Japanese Government of the Japanese colony in this country," but every sane American would agree that it should be prevented. Incidentally however, it should be recognized that one reason for the degree to which Japanese residents accepted such control was the severe discrimination practised against them in many phases of life by white Americans.

Furthermore, the likelihood that such control will be attempted after Japan's defeat is greatly diminished by the fact that the alien generation will have practically disappeared within a decade, and if the American-born citizens of

Japanese stock, are given a square deal, they would be well-nigh immune to whatever efforts Japan might make to control them.

4. As to the regulation of Oriental immigration, we have taken no position, but I believe nearly all our members would favor placing all nations, including Japan, upon the quota basis.

5. This Committee, as you know, has strongly supported the Government's efforts to resettle the evacuees East of the Sierras and Cascades, but it has not advocated their return to the West Coast except as the War Department may deem the return of certain ^{law-abiding} evacuees, such as service men, compatible with military security. But we do unqualifiedly maintain the right of the evacuees to return after the war. We also maintain that the law-abiding evacuees in the Relocation Centers should be treated, not as criminals or prisoners of war, but with respect and consideration as innocent victims of wartime misfortune.

We rejoice in your powerful defense of the constitutional rights of unpopular minorities and hope that you will see fit to support the chapter of this Committee now being formed in Seattle.

Very sincerely yours,

March 6, 1944

P/S Yori Wada 39010526
Co. F., Brks T-90
Camp Savage, Minn.

Dear Sgt. Wada:

I am writing again for Mrs. Kingman to thank you for your contribution to the Committee. Your article is, of course being very well received to all to whom we have distributed it.

Also, just wanted to let you know that we have sent a copy each to each of the 20 names you included in your list.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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March 6, 1944

Miss E. Harriet Gipson
907 E 72nd St.
Seattle 5, Washington

Dear Miss Gipson:

I am writing for our Executive Secretary, Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, to thank you for sending a copy of the report you put out yourself, a year ago. With your permission, we should very much appreciate keeping it on file here in the office.

Your ordered 25 copies of Mr. Fisher's pamphlet were mailed today. I am sure you will be able to use them to good advantage.

I am also sending your name to our Executive Secretary for the Northwest, Mrs. Clara Siegley (at 2712 10th Ave. No., Seattle, Washington) as she will doubtless be interested in getting in touch with you.

Thank you again for your order and interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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March 6, 1944

Miss Jean Nowell
2845 Van Ness Ave.
San Francisco 9, Calif.

Dear Miss Nowell:

Among women's groups in California which have requested help on and held programs on problems of the American Japanese:

Glendale Women's Clubs
Ebell Club Jrs.
Women's City Club of Long Beach
University Women (Los Angeles)
Peoples' Educational Center (Los Angeles)
League of Women Voters (Pomona Valley)
Numerous Teachers' Associations and other educational organizations in the Valley, Los Angeles, and San Francisco.
Practically every Protestant and Jewish (church) Women's group in the State .

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Commander Haughton:

It was with gratification that I read your editorial in the California Legionnaire of February 15th, in which you state: "The American Legion has pledged its confidence in and its full support of our army and navy. Numerous persons of Japanese ancestry are now serving with the armed forces of our country on the battle fronts, and according to all reports, are serving valiantly and well.

"We salute all men and women who love this country enough to fight and, if needs be, die for it. Every person good enough to fight for us is entitled to our respect and equal protection under the constitution."

We have always felt that the responsible leaders and members of the American Legion could be counted upon to take the attitude so well expressed by you, relating to men and women of Japanese ancestry in our armed forces.

We are in complete agreement with you that persons convicted of disloyalty to the United States should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

It is a fine thing to feel that the Legion is pointing out the fact that the excellent record and deportment of the Americans of Japanese ancestry in our army makes valid the claim of this small minority to full rights as guaranteed by our Constitution.

Very sincerely yours,

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

RWK:mj

March 7, 1944

Mr. J.A. DeFiosse
1727 Delaware St.
Berkeley 3, Calif.

Dear Mr. DeFiosse:

Since we no longer have the San Francisco Examiner in use in the office, we should like to have our subscription stopped as of today.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Sheldon Building
San Francisco 5, Calif.

In reply, please refer to:

MAR 7 1944

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
2234 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

We are sending under separate cover the following:

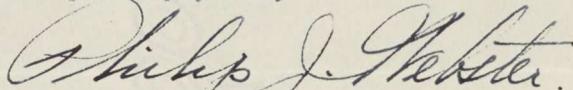
750 copies of "Summary of Sgt. Kuroki's Speech"

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in Japan--Thousands Face Death from Malnutrition"

500 copies of "Reactions of Various Groups of Evacuees to the
'Atrocity Stories'"

We are also sending under separate cover 300 copies of
"Pertinent Facts" as requested by you over the telephone last
Saturday.

Very truly yours,



Philip J. Webster
Acting Assistant Director



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

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March 8, 1944

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American Principles and Fair Play Committee
2334 Telegraph
Berkeley, California

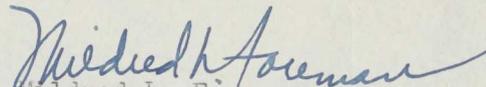
Dear Mrs. Kingman:

It was good to see you at the conference last week. I enjoyed hearing about your work and hope that your last night's illness was not serious.

I am enclosing my check for two dollars (~~\$2.00~~) which I believe you said would cover the materials which are sent out from the office. I am very much interested in keeping up with this program and shall look forward to receiving the material which you publish from time to time.

I am looking around for a secretary for the local committee. As yet, I have no one to suggest, but we will notify you as soon as a likely candidate can be located.

Sincerely,


Mildred L. Foreman
Manager

MLF:ml
Enclosure

March 9, 1944

Miss Margaret Cosgrave
1644 Van Ness Ave.
Fresno 1, Calif.

Dear Miss Cosgrave:

I checked with Dr. Deutsch, and he said perfectly OK to stencil and mimeograph the Commonwealth Club condensation of Sgt. Kuroki's speech, as long as it was made perfectly clear that the speech was originally given at a Commonwealth Club luncheon, and equally clear that it is not being mimeographed, sponsored or distributed by the Commonwealth Club.

I am unable to find any trace of Sgt. Kuroki either through the WRA or the Presidio in San Francisco. However, if we hear of any lead, we will let you know immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

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Mrs. Kingman
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P. O. Box 459
Honolulu 9, T. H.
March 9, 1944

Mr. Galen M. Fisher
11 El Sueno Road
Orinda, California

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Thanks for your letter, clipping and copy of Kuroki's Commonwealth Club speech. I have mimeographed copies and sent to our IPR members and members of our different race relations committees.

Mary ✓
I hope you will continue to help me out by sending such material. I hope that Mrs. Kingman will soon send me copies of material sent to the members of the Fair Play Committee as we have great use for such material. Enclosed is a copy of the outline of our next Roundtable meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Ch

Charles F. Loomis

Encl.

Mary (P. S. Could you send me a copy of Haughton's article in the Feb. 15 issue of the Calif. Legionnaire. We need and use California material just as you can use what we send you.

March 10, 1944

Miss Margaret Cosgrave
1644 Van Ness
Fresno, Calif.

Dear Miss Cosgrave:

Enclosed is the WRA version of Ben Aronki's speech. If interested, you may be able to get enough of these for your purposes, either through us (we have about 600 on hand) or directly from the WRA (Hotel Whitcomb Bldg., San Francisco).

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

these just came in today.

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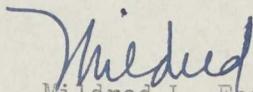
Dear Ruth:

I have located a person who is very much interested in the secretarial position with the local committee. My recollection of my discussion with you as to exactly what you needed leaves me with a blank. I am not sure whether you need some one who is truly a secretary with stenographic skills or some one who will do a public relations job. I should have been more specific in my questions when discussing it last week.

The candidate I have in mind happens to be a personal friend who was at one time with me in the office as my assistant. Since then she has held responsible secretarial positions. Her last position was with the Hull Hotels as assistant to the purchasing agent. She is about thirty-seven years of age, a graduate of this institution, has a great deal of business and social poise, meets people easily, and understands business men and business organizations. She has never had any experience in speaking before groups and I doubt seriously whether she would care much for that type of responsibility. She would be extremely capable, however, in handling correspondence, mailing lists, taking minutes, etc--if this is what is desired. I am giving you as much information as I think you are interested in at this time with the thought that you may want to write her directly, or may wish to have her furnish you more specific information about herself.

Not knowing what your desires may be, I am using this method of introducing her. Her name is Miss Virginia Scholle, 720 $\frac{1}{2}$ North Sweetzer Avenue, Los Angeles 36. If you wish any further information, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

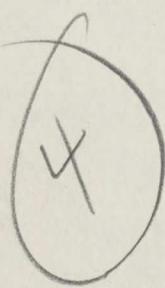


Mildred L. Foreman
Manager

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124 W. FOURTH STREET
LOS ANGELES 13.
CALIFORNIA

March 10, 1944.


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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I acknowledge your letter of March 2, in which you have set forth specifically the points with which your committee agrees with my views as expressed in my letter to you dated January 22.

With reference to Section 3, you say you have never considered the question of control by the Japanese Government of the Japanese Colony in this country. I am glad, therefore, to have brought the matter to the attention of your committee because I do hope that you will go fully into this question and take a definite position publicly that such control should not be permitted in the future.

While theoretically the position of your committee appears sound that after the Japanese defeat, control by the Government will be greatly diminished because the alien generation will have disappeared, I think this leaves an obligation on the part of your organization to insist that all Japanese in this country, whether alien or American-born, have impressed upon them that it is requisite that loyalty to this nation be complete and unquestionable.

I believe it also would be fruitful if your organization would set forth in detail just exactly what is meant in Section 3 of your letter when you say, "it should be recognized that one reason for the degree to which Japanese residents accepted such control (of the Japanese Government) was the severe discrimination practised against them in many phases of life by white Americans". I think considerable progress would be made by enumerating the types of discrimination you say have existed among our people toward the Japanese and which you infer influenced the Japanese of this country to turn to Japan.

March 10, 1944.

While it is only natural that the minds of our people are inflamed now over the revelations not only of Japanese atrocities but over their grandiose program of world conquest and which results in prejudice applied to all the Japanese, including the American-born, it is my belief that this condition can be corrected only provided American-born assume the full responsibilities of citizenship and quit being subjects of Japan.

I am disappointed that your committee has not included in its reply my reference to the sophistry of the doctrine of the divinity of the Emperor of Japan. To me it is indefensible that either our Government or the various organizations that have taken on the responsibility of handling the Japanese problem should sponsor, acquiesce in or tolerate the promotion or support of such a doctrine. Certainly none of the members of your committee believes in the divinity humbug.

I favor giving the quota to all peoples and races except the inhabitants of Manhattan Island.

I strongly urge that your committee draw from the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service the detailed records of immigration for your files for the past forty years; and I particularly recommend that you ask for statistics on immigration during the last fifteen years, down to and including 1943.

To what degree are immigration policies being shaped by executive order rather than by legislation of the Congress? What are the figures on immigration since the opening of the war in Europe?

While I have supported the removal of all of the Japanese from the Pacific Coast on the ground of military necessity, it is time a definite position be taken to guarantee the rights of all loyal, law-abiding citizens of Japanese ancestry who may wish to come here as soon as the army ban is lifted. I am against any attempt to exploit these people by labor contractors, corporations or others, including some of our very best people who in the past have profited by such exploitation.

In order to assist in bringing our views to a common focus, I will appreciate your making sufficient copies of the exchange of correspondence between us, sending to each member of your committee with the request that they express their views thereon. I will be glad to pay any expense incurred.

I will be in San Francisco from March 17 to March 20. You may reach me by telephone at Garfield 5887 or in the evening at Olympic 5162.

Sincerely yours,

Miller Freeman

Miller Freeman.

COLUMBIA FOUNDATION
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MARJORIE ELKUS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 10, 1944

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the re-
prints from the California Monthly for December
1943, entitled "Beyond the Horizon" and written
by Yori Wada. Thank you very much for your
thoughtfulness.

Very truly yours,

Marjorie Elkus
(Mrs.) Charles deY. Elkus, Jr.
Executive Director

ME:ma

March 14, 1944

Mrs. Charles del. Elkus, Jr.
Columbia Foundation
Russ Building
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Elkus:

It is gratifying to find some of our West Coast papers taking a positive approach on the American Japanese problem. The articles by Mr. Flynn appearing in the San Francisco Chronicle are most reassuring.

I am glad that you are commending their publication. I have asked several of our members to do likewise.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWX:mj



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March 13, 1944

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Vicente Villamin

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Los Angeles, 4, Cal.

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Principles & Fair Play
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March 13, 1944

IN REPLYING PLEASE REFER TO THIS
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Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, Secretary
Pacific Coast Committee on American
Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

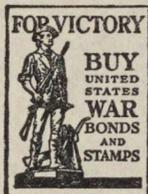
More than ever we should be anxious to make this year's observance of "I Am An American Day" an auspicious event. To that end an endeavor is being made to arouse more interest than previously has been manifested.

A meeting to select a chairman and committees has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, at 3 P. M., in the Y. M. C. A. Building, 220 Golden Gate Avenue. May we express the hope that you will have a representative present.

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten signature]

I. F. WIXON
District Director
San Francisco District



March 14, 1944

Miss Margaret Cosgrave
1544 Van Ness
Fresno, Calif.

Dear Miss Cosgrave:

On January 16th you sent a letter written by Wesley Waite that Mrs. Kingman would like to use (probably just extracts) in the forthcoming service mens letters pamphlet, but it is still not clear in my mind whether it can be used with his name or not. Could you please let us know about this as soon as possible?

Also, we are at present sending out finance letters to our membership asking for a renewal of their memberships for the year 1944. In the letter the amount contributed in 1943 by each individual is mentioned, and consequently we must have this information about the Fresno members. We are anxious to get the letters out this week at the latest, and I would appreciate it very much if you could get this information. I have written about this before both to Dr. Phillips, and to Miss Mary Baker, but have been unable to get any sort of list that would include the information as to individual contributions.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

March 15, 1944

Miss Michiko Mishima
Gila Relocation Center
66-12-A
Rivers, Arizona

Dear Miss Mishima:

You may find the enclosed of some help
in writing your paper.

I am also referring your letter for further
references to Mr. Valen Fisher, who may write
and give you additional information at an early
date.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

mj

March 15, 1944

Mr. Larry Tajiri
Editor, Pacific Citizen
Beason Bldg.
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Tajiri:

The enclosed editorial appeared in the Berkeley High School student paper. It seems to be a nice indication of feeling in Berkeley High School.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Aingman.

RSK:mj

March 15, 1944

Miss Eleanor Gerard
Topaz High School
Topaz Relocation Center
Topaz, Utah

Dear Eleanor:

This editorial appeared in the school paper
of Berkeley High School. I thought that some
of the Berkeley students might be interested.

Cordially yours,

Math W. Kingman

RKK:03

March 15, 1944

Miss Virginia Scholle
720½ No. Sweetzer
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Miss Scholle:

Mr. Kingman has told me (via a telephone call to his secretary) that he talked with you about the work of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play. When I wired to you I did not know that I would be going south this weekend.

My husband told me that you would like to see some of the material we are using, so I am sending it today, hoping to see you sometime the first of next week for further conversation about our needs in Los Angeles.

I shall probably be staying at the Hotel Figueroa. At any rate, I shall call you on Sunday, March 19, or Monday, March 20th.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

C O P Y

March 15, 1944

Mr. Joseph Kise, Americanism Chairman
Minnesota Department American Legion
Moorhead, Minnesota

Dear Comrade Kise:

I am sending you herewith some correspondence relating to a speech made by Sergt. Ben Kuroki, U.S.A.A.F., before the 800 members of the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco. Our connection with all this has been brought about, as you know, by the resolution on the Japanese-American injustice that we adopted last July.

These people and the many others contacted us after our resolution had been made public, and I am happy to say that our deliberations with them have been most pleasant. They have cooperated most heartily in publicizing the measure and we have found that they hold the principles of freedom and democracy in considerably higher esteem than the Legion and other powerful groups on the coast. Both in word and action they have repeatedly given testimony to their gratitude for the position we took, which was in marked contrast to the attitude of many prominent legionnaires.

The request for Department support is, of course, a matter not in our hands. Mr. Meldahl, Third District Americanism Chairman, and a member of our committee, has expressed the feeling with us that the Minnesota Department should become identified with the work of these courageous and patriotic citizens, for it is fundamentally something more than simple and deserving justice to loyal Japanese-Americans. With us it is more a question as to whether we will continue to give lip-service to the ideals that the Legion has stoutly professed to love while it constantly challenged them in its action, or whether we dare stand in honest defense of our declared policy, even when it invites conflict with certain segments of our organization, guilty of ill-advised and highly questionable behaviour.

More important perhaps, is our relationship to the stated motives with which we credit those who are offering their lives in this greatest of all wars. If we own the right to send the best of our youth into far foreign lands to die for these ideals, certain it is, that we are totally underserving if we are not willing and eager to shoulder the comparatively modest responsibilities, that safeguarding these cherished institutions, demands.

Joseph Kise-2

Your personal convictions are well known here and we are deeply grateful to you for the fine manner that you handled our resolution and the willing support you gave it at the State Convention last year. Knowing this, and aware of your profession, may I suggest that you contact Mr. McGiffert and Mr. Taylor directly yourself. They will welcome it I am sure, and I believe it would materially help.

If you could scan the file we have developed in our correspondence with all those who supported our action, you would quickly realize the dignity, intelligence, and high moral standards of these courageous American men and women. We take no little pride in the fact that we have been associated with them. They have waged the fight unceasingly in a battle against demagogery at its worst. Ruthlessness, deliberate deception, misinformation, half-truths prejudice, political power, and organized groups have opposed them but they have held their ground, even against the bitterest and most unscrupulous legislative investigating committee that was ever assembled.

Too few facts about the Japanese-Americans are well understood. They have a fine record in their normal lives and their military achievements in Italy and Pacific glisten with courage and honest patriotism. Our prolonged and thorough investigations disclosed little or nothing to censure either on the coast or in Hawaii, but it did reveal an appalling misrepresentation of facts, which appeared to be deliberate, and such men as Chaillaux, Past-Commander Coffey of Ohio, Lechner of California, and many others were found vigorously supporting the Hitler doctrines of racial hatred and the master race, in complete disregard for the true principles of freedom and justice under the American system of government, and entirely contrary to the constitution of our organization.

Sincerely yours,

Everett D. Phelps, Chairman,
Special Americanism Committee
Northfield Post #84 American Legion,
Northfield, Minn.

EDP/EDP

March 15, 1944

Miss Prudence Postwick
Social Science Foundation
Denver 10, Colorado

Dear Miss Postwick:

It was good to hear from you. We are highly gratified at the action in the Colorado Legislature, as reported in Time and in the Pacific Citizen.

This entire problem of creating anything like an adequate plan or program for assuring Japanese Americans any degree of security and a chance for participation in the life of the country is staggering. Your Unity Council seems to be on the right track. We would be in a much better position to create something truly constructive if we could include persons of Japanese ancestry in such an organization here in California.

Just now, our Committee is making the first, and of necessity, very tentative plans in the direction gaining the cooperation of already established civilian bodies in a state wide plan for eventual reintegration of Japanese Americans. As soon as these plans have gotten to the "paper stage" I shall send them on to you, as you may be able to make further suggestions, or might wish to use some modification of the plan in your Council.

To the present time, our program has been limited to the gathering together of much well documented material, and to sending it out widely. Straight facts in this field have been few and hard to find in our press. We have tried to remedy this to some extent.

We have tried to integrate our program and policy with those of the War Department, the Department of Justice and the State Department in such a way that we can feel secure that what we are doing will meet the strong desire of our members that our efforts make for national security and national unity. This has taken much time and effort in consultation and correspondence.

We have arranged many panel discussions, have met with innumerable groups throughout the state, and have provided research material where it was requested.

All of this, we feel is but preparation for this additional job of working out some usable method of reintegrating the Japanese-Americans in our economic and social life when the War Department approves such a step.

I shall be happy to send you further accounts of the plan as it develops. It is still in the nebulous stage, but we have high hopes.

Will you kindly give my personal regards to Ben Cherrington?

Very cordially,

Mrs. Ruth W. Tingman

RW:mj

March 15, 1944

Pvt. I Imamura 39916625
Med. Det. 442nd Inf.
Camp Shelby, Miss.

Dear Ichi:

Thank you very much for the snapshot--
I'm glad that you're carrying the combat pack, and
not I! It looks terrific.

I'm glad that you liked Yoriwada's "Beyond the Horizon".
I'm sending you a reprint we had made -- we're sending out
a lot of them. You asked who was "seeing to these things?"
Well, me and my little hatchet done it, together with my
office secretary Mary Jeffers (U.C. '42) who got the Editor
of the Monthly to consent. I asked Yori to write it and
got the Public Relations Officer at Shelby to provide the
pictures.

Our latest activity of its kind was the scheduling of
Capt. Ken Kuroki as speaker at the Commonwealth Club of
San Francisco. I suggested it to Dr. Deutsch, who is Pres-
ident of the Club, and then at his request, I wired Assistant
Secretary of War McCloy for permission for Kuroki to appear,
which was forthcoming -- immediately.

I asked the Pacific Citizen to "lay off" any credit to
me on the Fair Play Committee, as it was really a Commonwealth
Club project, and they should be credited. I was merely
the "means to the end."

Incidentally that Kuroki appearance in San Francisco was
terrific. I wish that all of you men at Shelby could have
seen the standing ovation he received at the end of his talk,
which was excellent.

The entire audience rose and applauded, many of the men
with tears running down their cheeks. It would have been
heartening to you all, for it was California!

We're really coming along! I must dash over to San Francisco to meet one of our members from Pasadena who will report to me at the meeting they held there last night discussing future program and policy.

One of the things we are talking a lot about of late is segregation of American Japanese troops. We are quite aware of all of the arguments against segregation, and are trying to do everything possible to keep the way open for as many as possible of the Nisei to serve in unsegregated units.

Do write again. I want to keep track of you all, and I suppose you'll be shipping "over" soon.

Cordially,

Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:nj

March 15, 1944

Pvt. Eddie Iino
Co. C. 442nd Inf.
Camp Onelby, Miss.

Dear Eddie:

I'm so glad to have heard from you. Naturally, I've wanted to thank you ever since Christmas, for that perfectly charming bowl, done by Deutsch of Chicago. It is one of most interesting pieces I've seen, and of course, coming from one of my better friends, was more than just appreciated. I regret the tardiness in thanking you -- but I did lose your address.

Your letter was quite indicative of a rapid and I would say most progressive development in your appraisal of what lies ahead of you as a Nisei and as an individual completely apart from any such categorical classification. I hope that some day you will be able to transmit that development thru a medium more truly expressive of Eddie than by means of the tools at hand. I still have high hopes that you can "do time" at Eastman School of Music, and look forward to a time when I might be able to interest Howard Hanson of Eastman School of Music in your matriculation there in Rochester.

Although it is always difficult for us to see any of our men go overseas, I was pleased with your report that some men of the 442nd have shipped out. As you put it so well -- the record of the combat unit will be a weapon in our hands.

Be sure that we shall use it. One of the things we are doing just now, is to publish a small pamphlet containing bit or entire letter from men in the service -- one half from Nisei (largely from Ital.) and one half from Caucasians (largely from the South Pacific) in an effort to break down many of the most flagrant assertions made in the Western press.

I would like very much to use two paragraphs from your letter, either with or without your signature. I am enclosing a copy of the portion I would like to use, and hope that I may use your name as well, as the quotation contains no controversial material.

Sgt. Ben Auroki made a terrific hit here in San Francisco. The Commonwealth Club, as you probably know, invited him to speak before them (I got War Department permission) and at the end of his very thrilling address, the entire audience of 600 - 800 gave him a tremendous standing ovation. I think that that reception will mark the turning point in California.

How is your very pretty sister, who taught school in Topaz, and where is she? I hear occasionally from Adrian Altwater, who is getting awfully stale on the job. I'd like some of her well spiked coffee just at this point, wouldn't you?

Do write again when you can. I don't want to lose track of my Nisei friends. I need their spirit and encouragement.

Very sincerely

Ruth W. Kingman

RWE:mj

THE RICHFIELD REPORTER
RICHFIELD BUILDING
Los Angeles 13

March 15th, 1944

Miss Mary Jefferds
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play
Room 203,
465 California Street
San Francisco, California

My dear Miss Jefferds:

Since we have only the one copy of each broadcast, which must be kept on file, I'm going to guess that the item in which you were especially interested, was the following excerpt from "The Reporter" broadcast of January 28th:

"A warning comes from Lieutenant-General Delos C. Emmons, commanding general of the Western Defense Command. It is directed against persons or groups, attempting to retaliate against any persons of Japanese descent in America for the recently disclosed Jap atrocities. General Emmons declares that "unremitting justice will be meted out to the Japanese who have been guilty of these dastardly and cowardly acts" at the proper time and place."

Hoping that I am a "good guesser," and that you will forgive the delay, I am,

Yours truly,

Wayne Miller

Wayne Miller - editor

Japanese American Citizens League

An All American Organization of American Citizens

National Headquarters

413-415 BEASON BLDG. TELEPHONE 5-6501
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

March 15, 1944

Mr. Galen Fisher
11 El Sueno
Orinda, California

Dear Sir:

Larry has referred to me your recent letter of inquiry pertaining to the Japanese language schools. Of course, the best source of information is Mr. Koshi Suzuki, now teaching at the Navy Language School, Boulder, Colorado.

However, I have looked into the "History of the Japanese in America," printed by the Japanese Association of America in 1941. As far as the textbooks are concerned, after much agitation on the part of JAACL and other leaders, a new set of books were just being prepared when the war broke out. I do not know to what extent the California books were used.

The only part of your inquiry which we can answer are as follows:

Number of Schools:	Pupils	Teachers	Expend.	
California: Northern California	101	7704	197	\$122,636
Central California	27	1986	57	21,733
Southern California	120	8144	200	253,581
Washington:	<u>248</u> 21	2550	64	47,414
(Three other schools but not included)				
Oregon:	22	694	33	13,528
Average cost per annum per student:	<u>291</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>21,078</u>	<u>551</u>
California		\$22.31		
Washington		18.59		
Oregon		19.50		

\$458,892.

Students were charged tuition fee to finance the running of the schools. Also there were benefit entertainment about twice a year, either a movie, bazaar or some other form, whereby additional funds were raised. I am positive that the Japanese Consuls did not have anything to do about financing. It is possible that the consulates helped in other ways but not in financing. I have seen the schools operate, how much money the parents raised to buy school property and so forth.



Mr. Galen Fisher

March 15, 1944

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member

teachers reply

Sorry to admit, a large proportion of the schools were pro-Japan although I doubt very much if they were able to offset the American school influence. The reason is that Japanese culture and propaganda were difficult to understand in contrast to what the pupils read in the American papers. Also most of the students were unable to fully understand the language, both written and spoken, even after their years of training. Because of the fear of losing their jobs, hardly any student was flunked. Therefore, although the families in most instances made attendance compulsory, the pupils did not absorb. And since the promotion was not based on actual accomplishment for the year, students went from one grade to another without learning much. It may be difficult for the antis to understand or appreciate this fact.

Our contention has been that the Japanese language school system should be taken over by the state and thereby the state can supervise the teaching of the language. The late V. S. McClatchy and the JACL several conferences on this matter. The State Department of Education was contacted and we were advised that the matter was not timely in that the public would not accept. I even talked to the Issei and Consul General Tommi. They were all willing to help and cooperate in this program provided there was sincerity in starting Japanese language courses. In other words, one and all were afraid that after abolishing the schools, then the state would refuse to go ahead.

I thought that the state taking over the program would be saving the Japanese people the huge tax they had to bear. And in return the state would control the educational policy. I thought and the JACL agreed that this would be a good thing all around. It was most unfortunate we were unable to consummate this program.

Mr. Wallace Alexander's file is supposed to contain a letter (copy) which McClatchy wrote to me about his believing that the Japanese language was of greater importance for the Pacific Coast than the French or German or other languages. I haven't been able to locate the original. It was written around 1936 or thereabouts.

How are things otherwise? We have our fingers crossed about the draft. For a while, because of the ill-advised opinion of the Spanish consul, we were afraid that the Isei in the relocation centers would influence the Nisei to violate the draft act. Fortunately, everything seems to be quieting down. There is no doubt that this is the most important thing since evacuation. The fight to regain the rights for the Nisei should be easier once the boys start joining the armed forces and fight.

Sincerely yours,

Saburo Kido

March 16, 1944

Mr. I.F. Wixon
U.S. Department of Justice
Immigration and Naturalization Service
San Francisco 12, Calif.

Dear Mr. Wixon:

I regret that I will be in Los Angeles on March 22, and will be unable to attend the meeting scheduled at that time. However, I shall be glad to cooperate in every way possible.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

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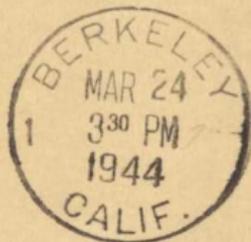
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Many thanks

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Pacific Coast Committee on
American Principles and Fair Play
2234 Telegraph Ave
Berkeley 4 -

Dear Sirs,

I enjoyed "Beyond the Horizon"; it proved quite interesting. Would it be possible to supply me with more information concerning the activities of your committee.

Yours truly,
R. Hoffman

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March 17, 1944

Before we submit the enclosed resolution to members of the Advisory Board for approval we will have a "paper plan" covering the suggestions found in IV-D of the minutes, ready to accompany the resolution.

This will necessitate considerable planning and consultation with various officials. Therefore no immediate release or action is contemplated.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

Sent to members of the Executive Committee attending the meeting of March 9, 1944.
RWK:mj

Berkeley, California
March 17, 1944

Senator John F. Shelley
San Francisco Central Labor Council
2940 - 16th Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Jack:

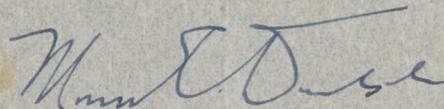
I am sure that you are well aware of the situation with reference to the American-Japanese and the discussions with regard to the restoration of their rights as American citizens. Possibly you heard Sergeant Kuroki when he spoke at the Commonwealth Club and visually showed us all how improper it is to assume that Japanese ancestry causes any lack of loyalty to this country of which they are citizens.

I am sure that if you sympathize with the views that every American citizen should be treated as such without regard to his ancestry, color, or his religion, you would not think it improper if I made the suggestion that a letter be written to Secretary of War, Henry L. Stimson, commenting on Sergeant Kuroki's speech, if you heard it, and your belief that all Americans regardless of ancestry, including those of Japanese descent, should as promptly as the military situation permits be granted their full rights as citizens. I do not wish to press you to do anything which you do not believe in, but I am sure such a statement from you would mean much.

I look forward to the days after the war when all hysteria has passed away and those who upheld the fundamental rights of American citizens during wartime will feel pride that they did so.

With warmest of regards, I am

Cordially,



Monroe E. Deutsch

MED:A

CC: Mrs. Kingman ✓

(Similar letter written to Mr. Henry J. Kaiser, Mr. Walter A. Haas, Bishop Parsons, Mr. Richard R. Perkins, and Mr. Daniel E. Koshland.)

3/2/44
Fair Play:

Under another cover I
am sending you a copy of "The
Races of Mankind."

On the idea that it may be a
better use of these to send them to
our friends, I have already sent
them to 200 Methodist pastors in
Sonn. Calif. and Arizona, and expect
to send them to Meth. pastors in
Northern California, enclosing my
latest article "No More America?".

In order that my efforts
may be the more effective,
please advise me as to

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Margaret Cosgrave & Co
Pres

2000
social scenes
Rural High Schools

what class of people, and where,
on which to use another 500 of
these pamphlets. I have in mind:-

- 1.) Meth. pastors in Oregon & Washington
- 2.) High school (biology teachers, Calif.
- 3.) Baptist pastors, Calif.
- 4.) Meth. pastors, Nev. and Colo.

To avoid duplication, I am
wondering to what class you
sent my reprints.

Yours truly

Alton L. Hall

Rt. 1, Huntington Beach
Calif.

3-18-44

March 21, 1944

Mr. Alton Hall
Rtl 1
Huntington Beach, Calif.

Dear Mr. Hall:

It is always good to hear from you and to see the things you write. In reply to your first questions:

1.) We have enclosed copies of your articles as informative material requested by persons who write in, particularly persons who live in rural districts, in Southern California. We feel that your thinking applies most specifically to those areas, and will appeal to people living there.

2.) In addition to the church groups to whom you have sent copies of "The Races of Mankind" may I suggest that as many as possible be sent to Rural High Schools, particularly in Central and Southern California with the following typical address: Fresno High School
Fresno, Calif.

Attention Social Science Department

This is an excellent pamphlet. I read it, first, several months ago, and feel that it is the best thing available of its kind. Thank you for sending us a copy for this office, and for feeling that we might be helpful.

To my mind, the rural High Schools need this more than any other institution or organization.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

RWK:mj

March 18, 1944.

VIA AIR MAIL

Honorable Harold L. Ickes,
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

We have noted announcements in the press that you expect to be in San Francisco for a few days about March 24. We would appreciate very highly the opportunity to discuss briefly with you, while you are here, some of the problems with respect to the American citizens of Japanese ancestry who have been evacuated from the Pacific Coast. It may be that such a brief discussion might be of help to you in dealing with these problems. What we had in mind was not a large meeting but a conference with such members of our Executive Committee as would be available, including, we hope, Dr. Deutsch of the University of California, Mr. Chester Rowell, Dr. Wilbur of Stanford University and a few others who might be able to attend. Will you be good enough to ask your secretary to let us know whether or not such a conference could be arranged during your visit and, if so, what time and place would be most convenient to you?

Yours respectfully,

Maurice E. Harrison

Chairman, Advisory Board,
Committee on American
Principles and Fair Play.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Air Mail

March 31, 1944.

Mr. Maurice E. Harrison,
Chairman, Advisory Board, Pacific Coast
Committee on American Principles and Fair Play,
465 California Street,
San Francisco, California.

My dear Mr. Harrison:

Inasmuch as Secretary Ickes was out of the city when your letter of March 18 was received, I am acknowledging its receipt. Your request for a conference with some of the members of your Committee when the Secretary is in San Francisco, will be called to the Secretary's attention when he returns to the office probably next Monday.

Sincerely yours,



W. H. McCrillis
Special Assistant to the Secretary.

TELEGRAM

March 18, 1944

Hotel Figeroa
Los Angeles
California

Will not need reservation until Tuesday, March 21st. Kindly
reserve room.

Mrs. Harry L. Kingman