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Mr. Galen M. Fisher
Pacific School of Religion
1798 Scenic Avenue
Berkeley, California

Dear Galen:

Here is a copy of Toru's letter. If you have any suggestions, will you please note them, just 1,2,3,4,- etc. -- in rough, topical form?

I think that this matter, if properly approached, can reach the crux of the whole evacuation fiasco. It is in this area that I feel our Committee has the greatest opportunity and obligation. Anything we can contribute to this line of thinking and action can be the most worthwhile thing in our whole program.

Thanks a lot.

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October 8, 1945.

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

I enclose original letter from Dr. Thomas Addis, Chairman of the Spanish Refugee Appeal, asking that we cooperate with their organization in sponsoring a meeting on November 3rd. In my opinion, we should take no part in this, because it does not come within the scope of the work of our committee.

Please ask your office to send me a few letterheads of the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

W. I. Brobeck
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October 3, 1945

Mr. Maurice E. Harrison, Chairman
Pacific Coast Committee on American
Principles and Fair Play
465 California Street, Room 203,
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Harrison:

On Saturday, November 3rd, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium, the Spanish Refugee Appeal will rally the people of San Francisco in a "Salute to Free Spain" and a tribute to the Spanish Republican refugees. The program, on which Albert Maltz, Frank Sinatra and Colonel Evans F. Carlson have been asked to speak, will include a musical festival produced and directed by the Hollywood Musicians Congress in which outstanding stars including Earl Robinson will appear.

The United Nations Conference at San Francisco and the Potsdam Declaration have barred Franco Spain from the family of nations. The democratic world is on record that an enemy to a durable and lasting peace is at large.

Hundreds of thousands of Spanish Republicans are in exile and in need. 200,000 in France, recently liberated from concentration camps and slave labor groups, must be aided immediately if they are to remain alive to help liberate and rebuild their homeland.

We are calling upon your organization to take the following action so that we may achieve the goal of full success at the November 3rd meeting and festival:

- (a) Join with other organizations in sponsoring this meeting;
- (b) Let us know how many tickets your organization can distribute;
- (c) Grant a few moments on your agenda to a representative of this committee who will report on further details of the meeting.

We hope you will take speedy action on our requests. We know you are aware, as we are, of the importance of showing these heroic Spanish Republicans that the American people are with them and will continue to support them.

Sincerely yours

Dr. Thomas Addis
Dr. Thomas Addis, Chairman

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October 9, 1945

Mr. Maurice E. Harrison
One Eleven Sutter Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mr. Harrison:

We are sending you, under separate cover, several of the Committee letterheads, as you requested.

As to the meeting of the Spanish Refugee Appeal group, it is typical of many which we have received from time to time.

We always reply either that our Committee does no work in the field, or, in cases where acquaintances are involved, that there is no Executive Committee meeting pending, and that, therefore, we cannot join in sponsorship.

I am glad that Governor Warren came out with his statement opposing the use of Japanese prisoners of war. It would be interesting to know who in Washington is "using" the Governor. I wonder if he is trying to find out?

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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

Dear Mrs. Kingman:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 29th and its enclosures. The state of confusion in the Government's mind is really marvelous to contemplate. On the one hand, the W.R.A. is hard pressed to close the camps and get the evacuees resettled, and on the other, Congress storms at them for dilly-dallying in getting the matter done.

I thought Dr. Sproul's letters were excellent. If there is anything you wish us on our end to do in assisting in the effort to have a more orderly administration of the problem, please let us know.

Yours sincerely,

Max E. Utt

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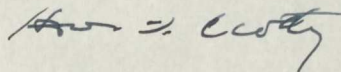
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Sincerely yours,



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Los Angeles, 5, California.
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Dear Galen Fisher:

At Mr. Crotty's suggestion, I am once more sending my expense account statement to you and Mr. Scott, giving credit, of course, for the \$250 you sent September 24. Because it did not cover both salary and expenses of travel, Secretarial help, telephoning etc. I held it uncashed until Mr. Crotty returned from his month's holiday. He had me in at four yesterday and seems really interested in a final merging of Fair Play work with Civic Unity. However, so long as we are Fair Play he feels that we must continue as before, in that all funds must be paid from your office, as the first arrangements called for. He will be writing you himself, soon, as he can best explain his idea of proper procedure in financial matters.

I phoned Dillon once when we were all so eager to have him come out here and sit down and plan with us. Guess I wasted my breath and saw the phone bill but at least I tried.

The work piles up more and more but it is well worth the efforts although I find I am completely worn out most of the time and am keeping one eye on the stork---our fourth grand-child may be left at St. Luke's Hospital in Pasadena almost any minute now and he has only this one Grandma to depend on for a proper welcome!

This financial business gets in my hair-- I hope this account can be settled soon because I don't want to be distracted by "sech" when so many urgent things are clamoring to be done. Raymond and I and Mr. Crotty are to attend the Pasadena Fair Play meeting at Mrs. Thayer's on Monday night. Am anxious to hear results of plans for the State Council set-up.

Sincerely

Gracia
Gracia D. Booth
Executive Secretary

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Mr. Homer D. Grotty
634 South Spring Street
Los Angeles 14, California

Dear Mr. Grotty:

Thank you for your letter of September 29. The government's confusion certainly is discouraging. Yesterday, I had a letter from Dillon Myer, thanking us for the letter to Congressman Cannon. He said that as the House will probably approve the Committee's recommendation for a \$5,000,000. cut, it will soon come before the Senate. He suggested that it could prove helpful if Dr. Sproul were to send copies of the Cannon letter to Senators Knowland and Downey, urging that they give consideration to our recommendation.

I prepared such letters yesterday, and Dr. Sproul's office is sending them off today.

It might be most helpful if you could get as many strong letters as possible sent to Senators Downey and Knowland, protesting the further hurry up and confusion which would inevitably follow a cut in the W.R.A. budget.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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October 16, 1945

(Attention Miss Murphy)

Mr. Harry S. Scott, Treasurer
465 California Street
San Francisco 4

Dear Mr. Scott:

In the light of Mr. Homer D. Crotty's letter to me of October 10, and my talk with him and Mrs. Booth on October 13, in Los Angeles, I wish to report that we should revise the schedule of remittances to the Los Angeles Committee as from Sept. 1. As Mr. Crotty points out, it is better to have all the accounts of the Committee at the headquarters, rather than for the Los Angeles Committee to start now to open its own books, and to arrange for the withholding and security taxes. Accordingly, the following is the desirable plan:

As already authorized by the Executive Committee, \$700. is to be sent to Los Angeles, for the four months, Sept. - December. The Los Angeles Committee will raise an equal amount, but instead of retaining it, will remit it to you. Then you will remit a total of \$1400. to Los Angeles between Sept. 1 and December 31. Instead, however, of remitting fixed amounts for office expenses and travel to Los Angeles, you will remit reimbursements for whatever expenses are reported by Mrs. Gracia Booth, up to the total of \$1400., including her salary and taxes.

Since you remitted \$250. for September, and did not retain the withholding tax, you have a balance of \$1150., less the withholding and security taxes for September, which you should pay then before December 31. The only fixed amount that you will remit will be Mrs. Booth's salary.

Mr. Crotty says that \$572. of the \$700. due from his Committee before December 31 has already been remitted to you, and that the balance of \$128. will be remitted in due time.

I am sending a copy of this to Mr. Crotty, and if he has any modifications to suggest, I should hear from him soon.

I enclose Mrs. Booth's Expense Account for September 1945. As I figure it, you should remit to her \$85.36 in order to square accounts for September, including the "Deficit from August" of \$21.03, as shown by her statement. I suggest, however, that in order to avoid making her advance expenses, you might well advance her \$100. as a revolving fund to be later accounted for by her in the course of her expense reports.

Sincerely yours

Galen M. Fisher

Asst. Treas.

October 17, 1945

Dr. Robert Gordon Sproul, President
University of California
Administration Building
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Sproul:

Yesterday, I was talking with two Nisei veterans who are registered here in the University. We were talking about some of the questions arising from a Christian Science Monitor story of September 26 (see enclosed copy.)

The boys were keenly disturbed by the reported statement of Mr. Pauley, as it indicates that the already sorely depleted resources of their parents appear to be subject to penalties.

These veterans, now students of the University, are very eager to talk this matter over with you. In addition, it seems to me that it would be a fine thing if some modification or means of exemption for parents of veterans, at least, should be established, and made public.

Do you think that we could get Mr. Pauley to make some statement to that effect, or at any rate to indicate that some consideration might be made? As I understand that Mr. Pauley is leaving for Japan within a couple of weeks, can you give us some help in this matter?

The Nisei vets are timid about seeking an appointment with you. I assured them that you would be glad to see them after the end of the semester rush is over.

Thank you, as usual.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman
Executive Secretary

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October 18, 1945

Mrs. Gracia D. Booth
875 So. Manhattan Place
Apt. #2
Los Angeles 5, California

Dear Mrs. Booth:

This refers to your statement of expenses forwarded to Mr. Galen Fisher, and his letter to me of October 16, regarding expenses, salary, etc., for the Los Angeles office for the months of September, October, November and December.

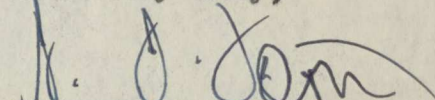
In accordance with Mr. Fisher's letter, I am attaching check No. 312 in the amount of \$185.36 covering the following:

Balance due on expenses for September	\$ 85.36
Revolving Fund	100.00

As explained in Mr. Fisher's letter, the total amount to be remitted to you for office and travelling expenses from September 1 to December 31, 1945, is \$1,400.00. As we remitted \$250.00 in September and are now enclosing \$100.00 for the revolving fund, there remains a balance of \$1,050. to be remitted for such expenses, and checks will be forwarded you on receipt of vouchers and statements of expense.

Your salary check for October, November and December will be forwarded to you at the end of each month as has been done in the past.

Yours very truly,


H. S. Scott, Treasurer

cc: Mr. Galen M. Fisher ✓
cc: Mr. Homer D. Crotty

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October 22, 1945

Mr. Galen M. Fisher
2287 Telegraph Avenue
Berkeley, ~~24~~4, California

Dear Galen:

It was very regrettable that I could not see more of you when you were in Los Angeles a week ago, but when "accidents will happen" our plans do get upset. The two days following our brief meeting in Mr. Crotty's office were rather upsetting to me as my nose insisted on bleeding day and night. However, by Wednesday I was much better and am o.k. now.

I find myself hesitating to take a Yellow Cab or any other kind after such an accident.

There were so many things I wanted to talk over with you that perhaps I will be seeing you soon again. If not, I shall write a long letter soon. We are eagerly awaiting the Christian Century in order to read your article and I know it will be good. Mr. Scott sent the balance due on the September expense account, as you probably know, with \$100.00 revolving fund in advance. I certainly appreciate this arrangement and will continue to send the statement of all expenses over and above the revolving fund at the end of each month.

Now I am wondering just what I will do as of January 1st. I do hope that some arrangement can be made whereby I can continue the same type of organization work and servicing work that I have been doing. I am enjoying the work so very much, especially since we have broadened out to include all minority groups in our efforts.

Very sincerely,

Gracia
Mrs. Gracia D. Booth
Executive Secretary

GDB:LD

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October 24, 1945.

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I had hoped that the Treasury would accept the signature of one officer on the power of attorney authorizing us to represent the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play in requesting a ruling on deduction of contributions made to the corporation. The power of attorney has been returned, however, with a request that it be signed by two officers and that the corporate seal be affixed. I would appreciate your attending to this for me.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Very truly yours,

R. H. Walker

RHW:FH
Encs.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that the undersigned COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN PRINCIPLES AND FAIR PLAY, a non-profit California corporation, has constituted and does by these presents constitute and appoint MAURICE E. HARRISON and ROBERT H. WALKER and each of them attorneys at law having offices at 111 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California, its true and lawful attorneys with sole power of substitution and revocation to request a ruling from the Bureau of Internal Revenue regarding the deductibility for income tax purposes of contributions made to said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has constituted these presents to be duly executed by an officer thereunto duly authorized and its corporate seal to be hereunto duly affixed this _____ day of _____, 1945.

COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN PRINCIPLES
AND FAIR PLAY

(Seal)

By Taylor
Its _____
By Fisher
Its _____

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
City and County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 1945,
before me _____, a Notary Public in and
for said _____, County of _____,
residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally
appeared _____, known to me to be the
_____ of COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN
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and that executed the within and foregoing instrument and
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me that such corporation executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
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_____ County of
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My commission expires _____

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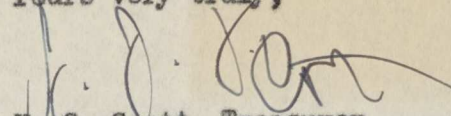
October 25, 1945

Dr. Henry T. Tyler, Vice President
Sacramento College
Sacramento, 14, California

Dear Sir:

Your statement of expenses dated October 19, which was forwarded to Mrs. Kingman, has been referred to us for payment. Attached is check No. 315 in the amount of \$20.69 covering your expenses in connection with the Conference held in Sacramento in July.

Yours very truly,


H. S. Scott, Treasurer

cc: Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman

(Encl.)

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10/26/45

Mrs. Gracia Booth
875 S. Manhattan Place, Apt. 2
Los Angeles, California

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Ruth Kingman

October 27, 1945

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

Dear Mr. Scott:

Enclosed you will find the voucher for my trainfare and Pullman to New York, an expenditure authorized by Mr. Galen Fisher.

I shall appreciate it very much if you will reimburse me for that amount, as I have advanced it out of my personal account. I have also bought \$100.00 of travelers checks to cover expenditures on the trip which will be accounted for (with any surplus returned) upon my return to Berkeley. I shall also appreciate it if you will add that amount to the check covering train fare and Pullman.

Thank you very much,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. S. Ruth E. Kingman

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