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NORTH HOLLYWOOD HOME OWNERS AMERICAN STRUCT Secretary to the physical The Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt Washington, D. C. Dear Mr. President: necessarily -- but to the doctrines of the Emporor Hirohito, whom they recognize as their deity, all Japanese people are bound by their "son of god" religion to the enemy. We, the North Hollywood Home Owners, dwelling in the "danger zone" among leading aircraft factories and sources of public utilities, being all volunteers in our local Civilian Defense, beseech and call on you to use the full power and influence of your office to expedite the removal of ALL Japanese -- aliens and citizens alike -- from their vantage places in harbor fisheries, on strangely isolated promintories of our unguarded coastline, and Respectfully submitted, NORTH WOLLYWOOD HOME OWNERS dearn TWO/wc Phos. W. Osborn Chairman 9) clar Devoted to the Safety of our Children and the Beauty of our Homes

### RESOLUTION

WHERAS the enemies of the United States of America are not readily identified; and there being evidence to support suspicion of the Japanese clothed with the full right of American citizenship, as well as the alien Japanese; and

WHEREAS these Japanese have apparently assumed, by their pledge of allegiance, the full responsibility of their American citizenship, they differ, however, from the average naturalized citizen insofar as their religious responsibilities allegedly supercede any other obligations which might be imposed upon them and that only in rare exceptions do any Japanese American citizens ever relinquish reading, writing or talking their native language. All of which is a strong motivating influence in diversion of loyalty on their part to this country.

WHEREAS, owing to the tradition, precedent, principles and practices of all Japanese it is ominously implied that their great numbers within and near potentially active combat zones; their vast numbers close to strategical units of industry; all so vital to the defense of our shores --- is an ever mounting and menacing threat to the security of the American people and to the war effort in general.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the HONORABLE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA be respectfully urged to take immediate steps necessary to remove all Japanese, regardless of birthright, and any and all other aliens or enemies of the State from the aforementioned Pacific coast areas; and that they be removed to localities far from those areas as a full precautionary measure.

Done at Encanto, San Diego, California this 2nd day of March, 1942

President.

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Hon. Frances Biddle U.S. Attorney General  $GPJ_R$ Department of Judge MAR 14 1942

Honorable Sir:

Four hundred represenative American Women, members of the International Woman's Club of the City of Los Angeles, want to know why there is so much delay in doing something about the "YELLOW PERIL" here in our state of California.

we who are here in California know the "JAPS" there is no difference between a Japanese born in Japan and one born in Los Angeles or any other American City. You cant' make an American out of a "JAP" in one generation nor five generations -

The danger attendant to our state and our children and families while thousands of Japanese go about unrestricted is too serious

Are we waiting for another PEARL HARBOR ?

WE WANT ALL JAPANESE TO BE IMMEDIATELY EVACUTED

DO WE AMERICANS HAVE TO BEG TO HAVE SOMTHING DON WHICH IS SO VITAL TO THE LIFE OF OUR CHILDREN

AND THE SAFETY OF OUR STATE ..?

Respectfully, INTERNATIONAL WOMAN'S CLUB

mmm 4416 West first Street Los Angeles, Calif..

United Neighbors Club Oak View Gardens Ojai, California February 19, 1942 Attorney General Biddle, U.S.A. We, the United Neighbors Club, a civic organization of Oak View Gardens, Ventura County, California, do hereby submit by action of oar club on February 17, 1942 the following resolution: "Whereas, all Japanese and all enemy aliens barred from prohibited areas in California are free to enter Ventura County and are already coming into said county which contains valuable oilfields, rich agricultural lands, army airports and Port Hueneme Harbor, and could become a haven for spies and saboteurs. Therefore, be it resolved that we petition you to use your influence and power of office to include Ventura County in the prohibited areas. And further that all Japanese, alien or American born, be removed from our entire costal area." Jerry Kintsel

COPY WHEREAS it has become necessary for enemy aliens to be evacuated from defense areas in California, and Bancroft Library WHEREAS the fact has been established that the Japanese have designated Lindsay, Tulare County, California as one of the main rehabilitation areas, and WHEREAS the Tulare County Board of Supervisors have adopted a program which would provide for the evacuation of all enemy aliens three hundred (300) miles from the Pacific Coast THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lindsay Woman's Club protest the settlement of alien enemy in the Lindsay District and endorse the action of the Board of Supervisors, and further BE IT RESOLVED that this program of evacuation include any person who has a dual citizenship committee /s/ Viola E. Frisbee Chairman /s/ Nina D. Woodward copies sent to Faith M. Hostetter Rosella M. Dutton Franklin D. Roosevelt Hiram Johnson Sheridan Downey Alfred Elliot F. K. Biddle

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A rough estimate of the number of civic, social and womens clubs in California is .....



There is evidence to show that of the clubs only

3 expressed themselves publically in favor of evacuation in
the critical period and 3 after it. On January 29, 1942 the
Democratic Blub of Burbank, California, sent a telegram to
President Roosevelt demanding that "all Japanese in California
be interned." That same day the North Hollywood Home Owners
wrote to the President "beseeching"...the removal of ALL
Japanese--alien and citizen alike". On Februry 11, the
International Woman's Club of Los Angeles told Attorney General
Biddle that "we want all Japanese to be immediate evacuated."

In the post-February 14 days there is evidence to show that 3 clubs expressed theelves for evacuation, namely, the United Neighbors Club of Ohai, the Orosi Citizens Committee and the Civic Club of Encanto.

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As win his treatment of pressure groups, Grodzins implies that vast numbers of organizations expressed themselves in favor of mass evacuation. His treatment of civic and social clubs is in line with this: he does deal with them in a section but lists ten of them in a paragraph implying many more

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There is almost no end to the number and variety of groups that devoted attention...to the alleged necessity for Japanese evacuation. Lions and Elks passed resolutions in common with the Supreme Pyramid of Sciots and a California Townsend Club. Several dozen labor unions acted in agreement with agricultural, manufacturing, and businessmen's associations, as well as with the Magnolia Study Club of Anaheim, California, and the University of Oregon Mothers. The resolutions of numerous civilian defense councils were echoed by a Palm Springs "Committee of the People". The Orosi Citizens Committee, the Lindsay Women's Club, and the North Hollywood Home Owners. American Legion activities were seconded by ...the Puenta class in Christian Citizenship. An East Los Angeles Noon Club demanded evacuation in common with a West Los Angeles Breakfast Club. (1)

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As a matter of fact, the files of the Justice Department, one of the sources Grodzins acknowledges, contained only three other clubs than those he specified here. These are the Democratic Blub of Burbank, the International Womans Club of Los Angeles, and the Civic Club of Encanto. The implication of vast numbers unmentioned is totally unwarranted by the evidence.

## College Momen's Club

EAST BAY BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

Aug. 3, 1949

My dear Frofessor Barnhart:-

Your letter of June 30

has been held up by the absence from town of the corresponding secretary. Our president suggests that you try the following people for the kind of information you wish.

Mrs. Forster Rand Smith

1335 Cowper St., Palo Alto.

She is the president of the California State Division of the American Association of University Women, of which the College Women's Club is a branch.

Mrs. Jay Cooper

168 8th Ave., San Francisco

She is president of the California State Federation of Women's Clubs.

With best wishes for the success of your project, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Bernard Hemp, Corresponding secretary

In reply to your last question regarding any action taken by the California Federation on this matter, we find a resolution adopted at the annual state convention in San Jose, April 1941. It reads as follows:

Whereas, enemy aliens advocating the overthrow of our form of government in the United States are free to disseminate their doctrines in this country and participate in acts of sabotage, and

Whereas, the freedom afforded these aliens is detrimental to the peace, harmony and defense preparations in this country, and

Whereas, in many cases they cannot be deported because their own countries refuse to admit them, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the CFWC, in convention assembled, go on record as favoring legislation for the isolated internment of all aliens declared undesirable by our government until such time as their own countries will admit them, and that copies of this resolution be sent California's representatives in the U. S. Congress.

We understand this to refer to all alien enemies, not just the Japanese, and definitely not the Japanese-Americans, who were not aliens of course.

We trust this may be of some assistance to you and if we are able to learn more about the subject we will inform you.

Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely yours,

Cornelia P. Cooper
Mrs. Jay T Cooper
President

California Federation of Women's Clubs



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November 15, 1950

Ass't Prof. Edward N. Barnhart Department of Speech University of California 424 Wheeler Hall Berkeley 4, California

Dear Prof. Barnhart:

First, our apology for the delay in replying to your inquiries of October 26 relative to women's clubs and their stand or action prior to the evacuation of the Japanese-Americans from the west coast. We have been trying to learn the facts regarding the clubs belonging to the California Federation of Women's Clubs, but the lapse of time has made it difficult.

Of the several clubs you listed only one is a member of the California Federation - the Lindsay Woman's Club. The others as far as we have record have never been members of our organization. We have been unable as of this date to find out the action, if any, of the Lindsay Woman's Club on this matter.

There are at present 660 clubs in our organization with over 75,000 members, so you can appreciate how difficult to learn how many actualy did pass resolutions on the evacuation question. In 1941-42 we had 644 clubs with a membership of 52,720.

The CFWC works closely with ten other large women's organizations, such as the American Association of University Women, Congress of Parents and Teachers, Business and Professional Women's Clubs, League of Women Voters, Native Daughters of Golden West, California State Nurses Association, Soroptomists, Zonta, National Council of Jewish Women and California Home Economics Association. The total membership is many thousand. There are many more active women's groups and the University Library should be able to furnish you with their names and present officers and probably the memberships of each.

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San Bernardino Couty Farm Bureau San Bernardino, Calif.

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City of Fresno Myor's Office Fresno, Calif.

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Grass Valley Rotary Club . Grass Valley, Calif.

Lions Club Grass Valley. Calif

Grass Valley, Calif.

Modesto Kiwanis Club Modesto, Calif.

Arcadia Chamber of Commerce Arcadia, Calif.

Woman's Club of Huntington Park Huntongton Park, Calif.

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City Council, City of Loyalton Sierra Co, Calif.

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Burbank Lions Club Burbank, Calif

California Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs Grass Valley, Calif.

United Commercial Travelers of America Los Angeles, Calif

Baldwin Park Rotary Club Baldwin Park, Calif

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Lynwood, Calif.

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