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MEETING:
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*JAPANESE
QUESTION.*

February 5th, 1942.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Vancouver Council No. 284, of The United Commercial Travelers of America, is vitally interested in the Japanese problem in B.C.; and feeling that your association likewise is interested, would like you to join with us in arriving at a program which in general would reflect the views of a majority of citizens. A meeting is being called with a view to finding the best possible way of bringing this vital subject to the attention of the proper authorities, and we would therefore ask that you attend, or send a representative of your organization, to this meeting.

The removal of all Japanese is of vital interest to all residents of British Columbia; and a united effort of all organizations will bring results beneficial to B.C.

This meeting will be held in the Upstairs Room, White Rose Ballroom, 1236 W. Broadway, at 8 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 1942.

Yours sincerely,

Henry Garbe,
Chairman.

P.S.:— Please bring Notebook & pencil with you.

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Delegates from sixty organizations assembled at the White Rose Ball Room last evening at the invitation of the United Commercial Travellers, for the purpose of discussing the Japanese problem in British Columbia.

A Resolution received unanimous endorsement, favouring the formation of a Council, representing all Organizations interested in preserving and promoting the British way of life in Western Canada, and that this Council will function to co-ordinate the actions of these Societies, in impressing upon Ottawa the necessity for immediate action in removing British Columbia's entire Japanese population, east of the Rockies.

Mr. Harry McElvie outlined the reasons prompting the United Commercial Travellers in calling the meeting and inviting the co-operation of other Organizations.

Ex-Alderman Louis Sangster of New Westminster, representing the Grand Post of the Native Sons of British Columbia, proposed the Resolution, calling for united action on the part of all Societies. He claimed that over 50% of Canadian-born Japanese were born into and raised in a religion which revered the Mikado as a Deity, and that if it was a matter of choice, they would be compelled to choose the Mikado and his legions, in preference to Canada.

Alderman Halford D. Wilson, long time a crusader against Japanese penetration in B. C., was the principal speaker of the evening. He declared that Canadian-born Japanese had been trained in Japanese language schools which had been the chief instrument of propaganda of the Imperial Education Department of Japan. He declared that Canadian Japanese were condemned by words from their own mouths; quoting from the New Canadian, a Canadian-Japanese publication of July 31st, 1940:

"Some day a Japanese Hitler will arise which will wreak vengeance upon Canadians".

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This, he declared, were the views of the Second Generation Japanese and expressing views on Japanese being barred from taking the Law examinations.

This same publication, Alderman Wilson went on, in an editorial of August 7th, 1940, declared a sympathy for Japan's program of domination in Asia.

The immobilization of the Japanese fishing boats was not sufficient, Alderman Wilson asserted, and that Japanese truck gardeners of the Fraser Valley were in possession of heavy trucks, far beyond the requirements of a market gardener, and that these trucks, unless immobilized, would form the nucleus of transport for any invasion by Japanese troops or uprising of 5th Columnists.

All speakers were unanimous in demanding that Japanese, regardless of sex and age, be removed from British Columbia.

"One woman can do as much damage as 100 men" declared a lady speaker.

A Committee of the United Travellers was requested to carry on work of organization, and they will add representatives of other Societies to their Committee in planning for the next meeting, where it is hoped 150 or more Organizations will be officially represented.

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1718 Barclay St
Vancouver - B.C.

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Mr. Wilson

Alderman City Hall
Vancouver.

Dear Sir

May I at this writing introduce My self
before taking up your time My name may not
mean anything to you, as I have not had
the pleasure of meeting you

However Phil Form has invited Me to go with Him
some evening to your home.

It would be a pleasure for Me to meet a man
I have never met, that has done so much
on the Japanese question under such strong
opposition.

I personally have tried to help you in any
way I could

I started a petition for your support on
Vancouver Isle for removal of all japs

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from that area.

And at this time would like to advise you of what can be seen at Fanny Bay Vancouver Isle. A Japanese logging Co. of considerable size has for several years been operating in Fanny Bay. I will have to go to some length to explain all this to you.

If you will allow Me. Your attention. The logging of which I refer to has cut a railroad starting at Fanny Bay Vancouver Isle almost linking up with the canal that is navigable from Bamfield, out side of Cape Flattery.

I know our planes on patrol duty may know the spot.

But that does not alter the fact that that planes used by the enemy has only got a few minutes to fly troops into the canal zone and are less than half an hour from the high way to Nanaimo, Ladysmith and Victoria.

The present barriers at Cape Flattery

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Is no obstruction to the Japs landing in
Fanny Bay.

They have already landed in far more
difficult places and made good their
invasion

I know Vancouver Isle from a to y during
the last World war I patrolled it from
end to end when the Emden was
threatening the island

There are more places than Fanny Bay
that requires guarding

There are more Japs on the Island than
you think.

What about the Japanese lumber &
operating between Portney and Comox
almost along side of the Baer at Comox
The Japs are taking in all that goes on there
When I was shore engineer for the B.C. Packers
A Jap they called the head Jap too
By the name of Yamota told me every gap
that had a boat was numbered by the

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Japanese Government when He embarked
for Canada or the U.S.A.

Just recall what happened lately
50,000 Japs in the Philippines was mobilised
fully armed.

They were numbered by their Government
and they are numbered here.

Just recently I was out at Mission for a
few days.

The Japs have two camps a staff take
40 in one camp about 60 in the other you
may not believe it

But they have drill periods after work hours
and I further know the Mission police
have been told about it.

The Japanese sympathisers in our midst
should be compelled to live with them.

I have been a mariner all my life I know
how much the Japs like us.

Since Mr Brown passed away I have not
got out and around much

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I will soon be more interested in what
is going on.

I hope some time in the near future
to make you acquaintance

Yours Respectfully
J. H. Brown
1718 Barclay St.

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REGISTRAR GENERAL OF VOTERS



COURT-HOUSE, VANCOUVER, B.C.

February 12th, 1942.

Alderman Halford Wilson.
City.

Dear Sir:-

The following may be of interest to you. It is an extract from a letter from my son who is on active service in England. The letter was written on January 4th and was received a few days ago.

"I have just received the December 8th and 9th of the 'Province' dealing with the outbreak of the Japanese war. There are lots of items to make us smile and many that make the fellows furious, i.e. the editorial policy calling for fair play to the Japs. Since when were the Japs fair to us, and are the Japs in B.C. any different to the Japs in Japan? Now is our golden opportunity to get rid of them but it seems that if there is anything for the ultimate good of B.C. the Daily Province is against it. The Southams, sitting in plush seats in Eastern Canada, may think one thing about the Japs but I tell you the fellows in uniform overseas think another."

Personally I wish you were running as Mayor on an anti-Japanese platform. I believe you would get the largest majority ever polled in Vancouver.

However I think in the meantime a campaign to make our white people ashamed to be seen in a Jap store would be the quickest way to end the problem via the starving-out route. Where they go from here no one cares.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James D. Wilson".

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Ford Road 7/5
Pitt Meadows
B.C.

Feb 12. 1942

Dear Mr. Wilson

I can support the reports that you have had about the Japs Farmers having trucks of greater speed & size, here in Pitt Meadows all know & see the Japs running around here in trucks & cars & the game warden when he said that here & at Haney, Webster's Corners, had faster & better cars than the police, can you tell me why we should help support the war effort when we see the Japs allowed to go around as they please while we do all to save gas by walking or riding bikes, buying war certificates & watch the smirks on the faces of these yellow rats & their offspring going down the road pointing to the houses as if they had machine guns, one can see where they got it at home. One cannot take the Japs out of a Japanese, it seems that those in power at Ottawa do not care a rap of what becomes of us or B.C. as long as they live undisturbed by them one cannot know or deal with the yellow race or know what is behind those slant eyes peaceful penetration that is & has been their policy ~~for~~ ⁱⁿ a stab in the back, I never mixed with them in Australia we did not have them there & for a very good reason years ago Lord Roberts

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Warned of this peril but still the government here
allowed them in each year & they have brought the
standard of living down on fruit farms, & almost
have ousted the white farmer because he cannot
compete however a good worker & couple, to carry on
I hope that the united efforts of all of us will wake
Ottawa up to our peril.

Yours Sincerely

Mr. Alicia M. Knyland

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1172 ^{7/6.} ~~Francis Street~~
Friday 13. 1942

Alderman Wilson

Dear Sir

It is some time since I wrote you I do not write unless I think there is something to talk over. The gaps you know how I have always felt about gaps in Canada & U.S.? I saw this situation years ago & talked to-
alter of what could possibly happen in case of war! O.K. To have the East doesn't want them like West doesn't want - so what?

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"Gaps near Wards &
White room only so long
as he can see train
When he is 7 or more
miles he detaches train
without regret or
compassion so why are
the Squamish and city
council seem to be at
last waking up.
But there is a suggestion
on moving gaps. The
safest place I know
for gaps is the Crown
Nest farm right up in
the Battle Peak where
there is plenty of rooms
& they can be watched
& the train on the coast
they can also be put

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to work at mills & ^{7/6}
coal mines back there
I believe there are plenty
of Russian's mines who
would be better paid
letting the Japs have to do
it & when once in
there the Japs would
have a laugh time
getting out & could
easily be kept in check
not anybody that
knows that carrying
around blame &
boles & see what
they think. Then in
Newly a suggestion
James Treacy
James Treacy

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Mission City

Feb 13 - 1942

to Alld Wilson
City Hall
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir

I notice in yesterday's issue of Daily Province of an account of a meeting held at the White Rose Ballroom on Wednesday evening that you made the statement that the Japanese farmers have trucks of far greater power than needed for their ordinary farming purposes -

This is most certainly true, during the past two or three years in this Mission and Haney and Maple Ridge districts, the Japanese Berry growers have purchased hundreds of high powered trucks, many of them

of much larger size ⁽²⁾ than they need ^{7/7} to haul their produce. It does not matter how hard up they profess to be, they have been able to buy new trucks. The fleet of trucks these Japanese growers own in these districts could ~~be~~ transport thousands of troops if necessary. It has been reported that certain individuals have recommended to Ottawa that these Japanese be left on the land in the Fraser Valley as the white berry growers want them to pick berries, and also that Britain wants the fruit. Now the Japanese do not pick fruit for the white growers but only what they produce themselves, in fact the Japanese employ white girls and boys when they can get them, the Japs would not think of picking fruit for the white growers. As regards Britain wanting the fruit - this is correct -

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"but there is no doubt - that the fruit from ⁷⁷
these Japanese farms could be taken care of, all
these farms should be taken over by the government -
there would be plenty of help available from the
High schools and University also there must be
hundreds of other girls and women in the Cities
who would come out to pick fruit - as a vital
war job necessary to help win the war

Perhaps certain persons who have made
thousands of dollars out of the Japanese grower
during the last 10 years or so, are alarmed
that their income would be greatly reduced if
the Japs were removed from the Fruit Valley, and
that that is the main reason why they are working
so hard in the interest of the Japs. I enclose a
circular that has been sent to members of a certain
Co. Op Union. The white growers and 90 per cent of
all the people here feel very much alarmed at
this state of affairs and think the Japs should be
moved out. Yours truly A. White Grower

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PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION
Mission City, B. C.

January 23rd, 1942.

Circular No. 1

To All Pacific Co-op. Union Growers.

A new season is just about to begin. It is therefore necessary to take stock of ourselves so that we may be prepared.

Fertilizer:

Enclosed with this circular you will find your fertilizer price list. Please note that there is no 3-10-8 listed. None of the fertilizer companies offer this mixture for sale now. Highland growers should use Organic singles or mixtures as much as possible. Lowland has more organic matter in its soil and Chemical fertilizer is alright for it, but not for too many years in succession.

Order Early. Don't wait until everybody orders and then swamp us. You will have to wait too long. Remember, fertilizer applied intelligently to the extent of from 8 to 12 sacks per acre in the Spring is your best and most profitable friend. If you have barnyard manure you will not need to put on so much commercial fertilizer. Don't delay, send us back your order at once.

Berry Crates:

We have 10,000 Strawberry Crates which you can have now at a price of 25¢ per crate delivered. This is about 3¢ per crate less, than you will have to pay this coming summer. Phone us or write us at once to let us know how many you want of these crates.

Do not neglect your spraying. Blackberry patches should be sprayed once during the dormant season and twice later, with Lime Sulphur spray, to destroy the Red Berry Disease, which was very wide spread especially in Evergreen Blackberry patches, last fall. In order to maintain the United States Market for Raspberries, we will have to powder or spray after awhile, when the buds and blossoms are out, for the Raspberry fly, which lays its eggs into the blossom and the maggot appears when the berry is ripe. We will keep you advised on this item in a later circular in connection with what kind of dust or spray to use and how to apply it. Grapes also should be sprayed during the dormant period and again later, with Lime Sulphur to stop red spot and mold spot on the leaves.

Weevil Poison:

Do not delay the application of Go-West until it is too late. Weevils will appear shortly after the ground has been warmed by the sun and you must be ready to receive them in proper style, which is, with a good dose of Go-West. We have Go-West in all our plants.

1936 Shares: A few growers still hold on to their 1936 shares. If you have one or more, please bring or mail it in at once properly signed, so we can redeem it.

Re Canes: We have Newberg Canes and Washington Canes for any grower who wants some. Please let us know soon.

Japanese Members: Do not be unduly alarmed by paper articles and unsupported rumours. The Canadian Government will treat you fairly and justly as long as you do your share towards being a Good Canadian. We will advise you at once as soon as we receive definite regulations which you must follow and abide by. We are working with the Authorities in your behalf so they may fully understand your position. Do your work on your farm as usual, don't neglect anything, mind your own business and stay at home as much as possible. Don't try to buy Cars, Trucks or Shortwave Radio sets. Abide by this advice and you will not get hurt.

Faithfully Yours,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

For J. B. Shimek Mgr.

1585 Vine St Vancouver B.C. 7/8
July 15/42

Mr. H. Wilson.

Sir - May I compliment you on your effort
to remove the Japs & urge you to further
efforts to intern every Jap man woman &
child - all are potential spies & would help
their countrymen once they get a footing here.
Take away all arms radios, cameras &
conveyances motor cars of all kinds - &
send them by train or otherwise to the
dust bowl in Saskatchewan - Let them
take away only clothing bedding & cooking
utensils & supply weekly rations of rice
& dried fish. - Their normal diet in
Japan - Let them occupy the abandoned
farms & build or make whatever ~~other~~
other buildings or furniture they need!
Appoint a few hundred Chinese guards
armed & authorized to keep them within
the camp limits & inspect them daily.
I suggest Chinese guards because the

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Know the habits of the Japs & can distinguish them from their own people - & they would be glad to keep them from aiding our common enemy. Confiscate all money & property owned by Jap & use it to evacuate them & use surplus to carry on the war. (They have taken our money & possessions in the lands they have overrun) - make it illegal for any Jap to acquire land or property here - after the war repatriate the lot naturalized or not. The pampered treatment of Japs here makes one seethe with anger. "build homes for 100 to work on the roads" forsooth!! They should be taken from internment camps in Jango under guard - to work on roads & be thankful if they get fed, never name giving them wages. We've plenty of men here who'd be glad of work with payment, without truckling to our deadly enemy! - yours for speedy action to get all the 25000 away, not only 2000 - that's a joke & a bad one.

Francis Gregidga
British Canadian

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3472 Triumph St,
Vancouver.Feb. 16th 1942.

Alderman Halford Wilson,

Dear Sir,

I have always admired your stand on the Japanese situation, on the Pacific coast, and feel you should have the full support of the citizens of Vancouver. I, and many of my friends here, will welcome further efforts by you in facilitating the removal of all Japanese, males and females, from this coast, in the face of recent events, irrespective of whether they are naturalised, or otherwise, as all of them constitute a deadly menace to our safety.

A concentration camp is the only place for them, I think it is disgraceful, the way the powers that be, in Ottawa, are handling the situation, in letting them leave the city voluntarily, and giving them the freedom, to go where they wish, that freedom today, for which our men are fighting, and dying for. Please do something drastic, before it is too late, and I

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feel sure the people will support your efforts one hundred per cent.

This is not written in the spirit of antagonism, but for common sense handling of this serious situation, at once, not April 1st it might be too late then.

yours very truly
A. Gray.

The article on German and Italian schools in Sept. 1940 issue had "Passed by Censor" at the beginning. So I presume any similar material on Jap. schools will also have to pass the censor. Apparently, this was required a year after Germany & Gt. Britain were at war -

If you find it convenient I would like to see you again during the next few days - It is quite possible that, according to a letter I received last Oct., that the language books may be held also in another place - other than City Hall - would like to see Dir's report as soon as possible. Sincerely, G. J. R.M.

5687-Holland St.
Monday Feb. 16. '42
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Dear Mr Wilson :-

I enclose "Liberty 1939" clipping; many thanks.

I am told that the March number of "America" magazine has an article on the Japs in U. S. A. According to this writer there are 40 odd Jap. language schools in U.S. still operating secretly despite the ban on them in Dec.

Have not seen the magazine yet myself.

If you read the notes I left with you, you will see Buddhist priests

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This convenient avenue of
Tokio propaganda in America
should not be overlooked by
the R.C.M.P.

I would appreciate seeing
as soon as possible the
data you mentioned as being
broadcast in Seattle & their
printed relative to translations
secured by the Dies Committee

I am compiling now the material
I have on the language
schools, and will submit it
to Maclean's. This was not
included in my other material.

^r and temples mentioned as being
potential cloaks for espionage.
Recently the F.B.I. revealed
that several high officials of
Japan had been arrested in
Cal. for espionage activities.
Their work was carried on
under the guise of Buddhist
priests.

Today, on the radio I heard
that an important elder of a
Buddhist temple had also
been gathered in.

I have data to show you
on the spread of Buddhism
in B.C. during the last 5 years.

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Dear Mr & Mrs -

Cannot a mass
meeting be called
of the citizens of
Lawrence re the
getting all faps
and other slurs

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in concentration camps?
We admire your
efforts and are with
you.

Do not reply to this
you are too busy.
but I hope you act.

Have met you many
times in conservative

circles - I'd say we
traps politics through.
Sincerely

F. P. A. Boney

1851 So. King St. Ave
City.

Feb. 17, 1942.

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2165 West 14th Ave
City

Dear Sir

"Aliens"

Allow me to congratulate you the
splendid way you have tackled this
question of orientals etc. and your
splendid stand at the Council
meeting yesterday 16th inst

I think the residents of this city, have
got to be very grateful to you for all
you have done and are doing.

Good luck

Yours sincerely
Harry Richard

Alderman

H. Wilson

City Hall

Nanaimo B.C.

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NEIL D. CAMERON,
1307 PARK DR.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Alderman Halford Wilson

Feb. 18/42

Dear Sir - You don't know me and I have never met you, although I have seen you at the airport a number of times.

I was business manager for Foggin Flying Service during the last four years and naturally my mind runs along the lines of aircraft.

I have an idea which might prove valuable to the defense of our coast, and knowing you to be a "line wire", I am passing it on to you. If you can pass it on to the proper military authorities, do so. If it is not worth anything, throw it in the waste basket, but I think it is worth some consideration.

In the event of an air raid, the enemy, who no doubt is well informed of our defenses, would first seek to protect himself by bombing the runways of Patricia Bay, Boundary Bay and Vancouver airports and put pot holes all across the hard parts of the air-drome, which would make it well nigh impossible for the high speed "Kitty Hawks" etc. to take off and land, then at his leisure he could proceed to "pick off" the objectives he has in mind.

We unfortunately, unlike the United States, are not blessed with many air fields, therefore someone must foresee and provide facilities for these fighter craft if we are to avoid a repetition of some of the non-preparedness disasters we are so sick and tired reading about in the press.

Here is what I had in mind - We have many modern hard surfaced highways and roads that are plenty wide enough for aircraft to land on and take off in an emergency.

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The telephone wires and poles could be moved back from these roads about 25 yards and the shoulders of the roads could be widened with rock, sand and gravel. The best location would be at a cross roads so that the plane can take the most favorable run according to wind direction. A strip $\frac{3}{4}$ mile long would give them a longer run than they have at Vancouver Airport. A shed could be erected which could be used to effect minor repairs, house the guards and ground crew and store machine gun ammunition etc. etc.

In the event of an "abort", guards and ground crew would be dispatched to these emergency "fields" and the gates closed to keep traffic out.

The planes could be divided from the main airports to dozens of these "ghost" landing fields, to await orders from headquarters.

The ordinary airport is easy to find from the air, but these "ghost" air fields would appear to be just part of the highway.

Where wires must cross the road, they could be taken under in cables.

There are many places on Lulu Island and up the Fraser Valley that would adapt themselves well to this plan.

Localities would have to be picked where traffic could be easily detoured.

I will not elaborate on the plan any further. I think you will see its feasibility. You know enough about the airport business to realize that drainage and paving are the major problems to be dealt with, both of which are already provided in this plan before the project is started.

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In the Dutch East Indies, you will remember, the secret air fields were a big trump card that gave the Japs so much to worry about.

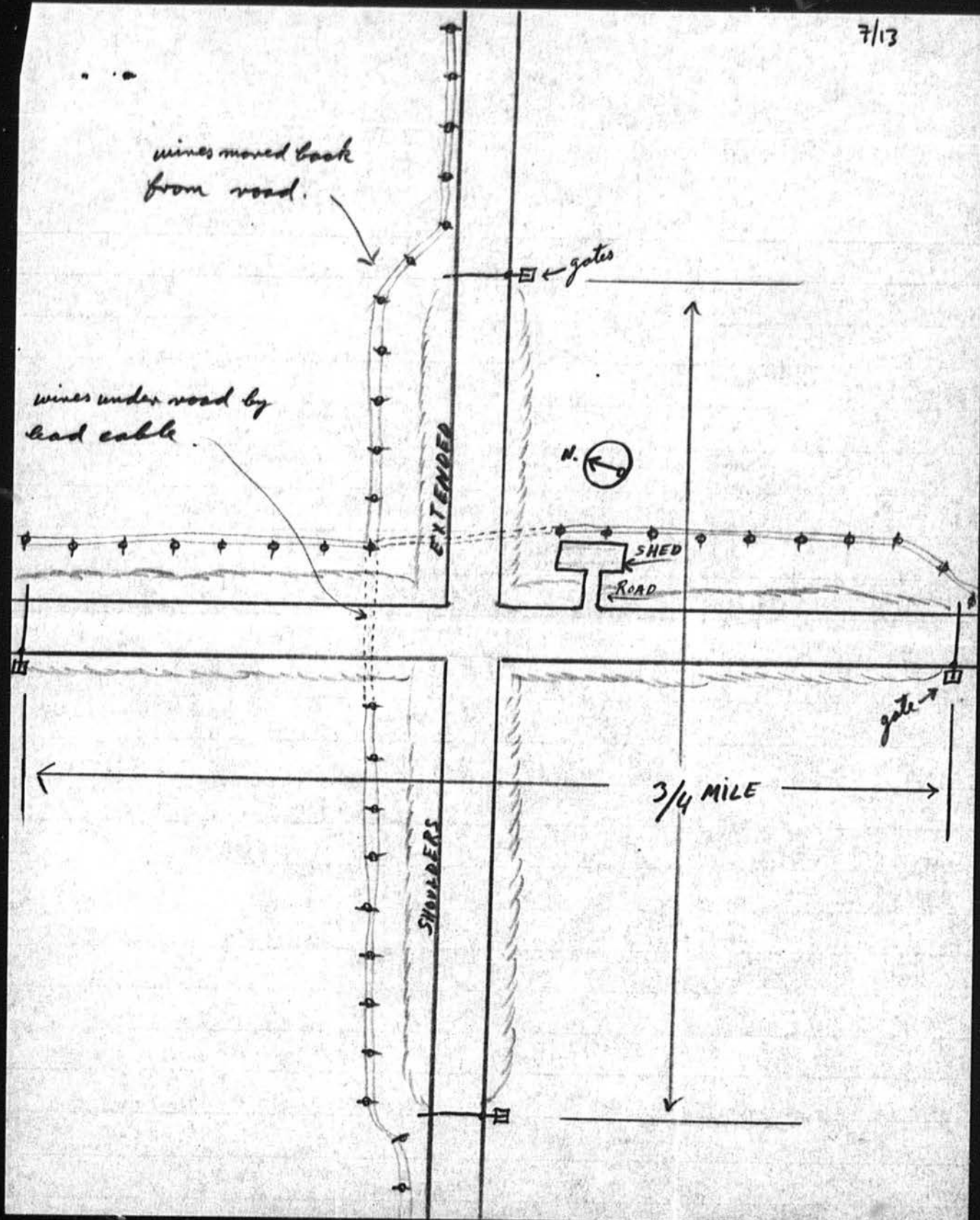
Planes scattered all over the country and a problem to an enemy but grouped around one field by the dozen in a big circle like they were to-day at Vancouver Airport when the alert "was on, would be "duck soup" for an enemy springing a surprise attack.

Trusting this may interest you, I remain -

Yours Sincerely

Neil D. Cameron

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TO.
Alderman H.D. Wilson.
City Hall.
Vancouver, B.C.

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482, Sturdee Street
Esquimalt, B.C.
Feb. 18th, 1942.

Dear Mr Wilson:-

I have watched your proceedings both in the Council and out for many moons, and I have come to the conclusion that you are one of the leading public spirited men in our fair City, many of our public men are in office just for what they can get out of it, and that include the man we have for a Mayor, . You Mr Wilson seem to be about the only man that is concerned about the yellow rats that are being pampered to both here and in Ottawa, The King outfit seem to afraid to do anything that might insult those Japs, and we are going to pay them 40 cents an hour if they want to work, and we are paying our Soldiers a mere pittance to be slaughtered by those same yellow rats,

Now I see that Ian MacKenzie, Minister of pensions have been giving the job of removing enemy aliens from the coast, surely this is a National responsibility not to be intrusted to a man like Ian MacKenzie, his Department has nothing whatever to do with the issue, or is King just passing the buck like he is doing about the plebiscite? the Japs are still roaming all over B.C. and no one seem to give a hoot, what are the Japs doing to the white races in the countries they have conquered? we are treating them with the best, and 40 cents an hour, how many men in Vancouver would be glad to earn that amount right now, Oh well what's the good, we may wake up some time perhaps when it is too late,

I hope you will excuse me for bothering you when I know that you are a very busy man, and trying to do your uttermost for our great and noble City, I am sorry to relate that we have a lot of dead wood in our public offices, where you should be is in the Mayors chair then and then only would we get some action, as I always called our dear old friend Louis Dennison Taylor, Quick action Taylor, he would always say let's do it now and talk about it later, Action is what we need now and not so much talk, I have been living over here for some time now but watch everything that is doing in Vancouver, With best wishes and good health so that you may carry on the good work that Providence have wished upon you,

Sincerely Yours

Forley Fish
Forley Fish

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(Confidential)

February 18, 1942.

Alderman H. Wilson,
City Hall,
12th Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Having read often of your intense interest in Vancouver's welfare and believing you to be a man who demands prompt action when action should be prompt - I am making an appeal to you to ask if you cannot use your ability and authority to call an immediate mass meeting of Vancouver citizens whereby the citizens en masse can formulate an appeal to Ottawa for prompt removal of all Japanese from coast areas. If, with renewed effort that is not granted, would it still be impossible for us to start a fund for such a purpose when the Mayor is able to arrange his Tag Day?

I read tonight of delay in moving Jap nationals because of the housing situation. Have the Japanese considered the innocent allies housing situation in Hongkong and Singapore? In the state of Washington many defense workers are living in tents. Is a tent not good enough for a race who has brought such disaster upon us?

Authors have told us that no one has ever been able to understand the Japanese mind and without understanding - how can there be trust? Cecil Brown the commentator has warned all countries that this one inaction on Japanese removal has been the greatest factor in the catastrophe of Pearl Harbour, Singapore and Hongkong.

I believe in unity above everything and I'm not one to interfere with the Victory Loan, but it would seem to me - guns, planes, anti-air craft and all defense means are worthless while one single Japanese is allowed to remain here.

Many business men may oppose a wholesale removal because of labour shortage, but any business will be no business if one

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Alderman H. Wilson

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traitor Jap causes the destruction of our two bridges or railroads - which act and danger would make Vancouver another Singapore. This could not happen in other coast areas, but it can happen here. Does Ottawa not realize this? Hesitancy in this action because of retaliatory measures on our prisoners is no argument. There are unspeakable sacrifices and tragedies in any war, but why should our coast be added to the list over which the enemy can consider retaliatory measures - if we are too late!!

A Vancouver Resident - for 25 Years.

Eleanor H. Jethrington
4555 Marguerite

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"MORE CONSERVATISM IN CANADA: MORE ACTION IN CONSERVATISM"

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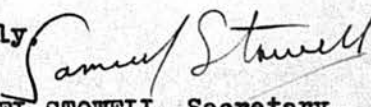
Aldermen Helford Wilson,
City Hall,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Wilson;

At the request of our Executive Committee I wrote Howard Green, M.P., drawing his attention to the Japanese colony near the Airport on Sea Island. He asked me to obtain the following information concerning them; their occupation, their numbers and a map, if possible, showing where their colony is situated. I wonder if you would be able to supply me with the above data.

Thanking you and I hope you can get the Government to realize the situation;

I remain yours truly,


SAMUEL STOWELL, Secretary.
CONSERVATIVE ACTION CLUB.

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TIME FOR ACTION

To the Editor: Re the Japanese question as discussed by Mr. Tom Reid, M.P. and Mr. Howard Green, M.P.:

It is time to waken up about Japs. Mr. Reid is correct when he says they

know every inch of the B. C. coast. Not only have I seen them taking pictures of the coast, but I have seen them sounding the water all around the coast.

Having worked on raising boats and dredging around the coast from 1918 to 1930, I know what I am talking about. They would even defy us, in not pulling in their nets, then clamber up on the tug to force the captain to pay the damage.

A Jap is a Jap. Ship the brown face, slanting eyed little gentlemen to the North Pole, with the Germans. Your Canadian born Germans will speak their German language every chance they get. One is as bad as the other.

M. JESTUCK.

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Ald H D Wilson
City Hall
Vancouver BC

Feb 19/1942

Dear Sir:

I hope you will excuse me of taking this liberty of writing you, but I cannot help admiring your stand re the Japanese question, There are so many people today so blind and dense, that until the bombs are dropped in Vancouver will they waken up.

I had a write up in The British Colonian for people to see what we are up against with aliens, and you can see this just as you see fit I am Polish born, naturalized, and have been insulted by our Canadian born Germans, gloating over our peoples sufferings, Our authorities know all about it but they too are nothing but a bunch of squatters that cant be moved.

Imagine this class of alien the head of our church and the agricultural areas and other organizations

Yours truly
M Jostuck

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Alderman
H. D. Wilson
Vancouver

Sir
In Regards to The
Japanese problem - Could
you not arrange for a
mass meeting at Stanley Park
the same as Victoria is doing
Not long ago some Japanese
children were laughing &
shouting - Vancouver is
going to fall soon - they
did not get this learning
from their own little selves
but from their elders - who
are pledged to support

their Motherland - Japan -
in every thing their
Japan demands - its
high time -
As a war Veteran I know
there is nothing as powerful
And effective as mass meetings
Unless we make mass
meetings - The big powers
will make toys of us -
At speed the gaps are getting
ahead & moving about - we
cannot delay the Japanese
removal any longer - they
are all for Japan - At the
blackout some weeks ago -
A opened window

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with strong lights shining
but - a policeman come
in next door. to a white
man's shop. & asked him why
he did not have his light
out - The shop keeper - told
him that was a Japanese
house. The policeman
walked out - Without going
near the Japanese shop
to demand their lights out.
They the Japanese were
drunk. Celebrating the
fall or disaster of their
sneak attack on
Pearl harbour - which
shows they well enough

they are not loyal
Citizens to Canada - that
only to their Japan - that
~~but~~ they are loyal
of us sincerely

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163 Rupert Ave
Winnipeg, Man Feb 19-42

Alderman H D Wilson,
Vancouver B C.

Dear Sir,-

Knowing you are interested in the Jap situation, would you kindly have enclosed letter published in the Daily Province, I may state I wrote a letter to the Sun last year re Japs .

Gus Sieverts knew of this letter and when printed I found that everything I wished conveyed to Public had been deleted which showed where the Sun stands.

Another thing which often ran through my mind Mr Wilson, was this , have the Rockies ever been reconnoitered for gun emplacements or plane bases? because I would not put it past those brown monkeys or the other Axis swine to have such places in readiness for such days as are already upon us.

Did it ever occur to the authorities that those Jap stores in Vancouver could be Potential machine gun nests and should be thoroughly searched immediately on general principles .

It would be useless to think of such things should the Japs start pounding Vancouver with bombs some night , you can very well imagine how helpless troops and the population would be with Vancouver Japs using machine guns sweeping the streets with bullets and planes dropping bombs. All this could be avoided if the authorities take a firm hand and act immediately.

I may state that I lived in Vancouver during 1940 and 41 but was obliged to return to Winnipeg owing to my being unable to secure suitable employment and a living wage.

Wishing you the best of luck and more power in your campaign re the Jap situation.

I am Sir,

Yours respectfully,

Ch Hartwell.

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Editor, Daily Province,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,-

May I voice an opinion re the Japanese menace on the Pacific Coast from Alaska to San Francisco. In the first place the Japs should never have been allowed to set foot on these shores, or to have been granted fishing rights in our territorial waters. They are no asset to this Country either.

If the Federal authorities, Provincial authorities, and others, are afraid of offending these Japs then it is high time that Legionaires take a firm stand, and demand that every Jap including Grandparents and babies be moved on to the Prairies east of the Rockies and placed in compounds, feed them on the barest rations, and confiscate all their money and property.

Give them some of the treatment that is being handed to our boys who are prisoners in Hong Kong, poor food, very little water etc, then when the opportune time arrives they can be shipped to Japan, never to return to these shores.

I have noticed in recent editions of Vancouver papers where some weak kneed individuals beg for tolerance of the Japs. No doubt these same people are out for votes or have interests in Jap business. We have only to glance back over the past few years to see how much tolerance has been meted out to the whites in the Orient. Remember also, the Japs agreed to treat prisoners right. How soon that promise was broken. The Ramsay McDonald Government set up was an example of tolerance, appeasement etc and if same set up had been allowed much longer, Britain would have found herself with a row boat for a Navy. Incidentally, there would have been no Britain by now. People should not be misled by the grinning Jap and his avowal of loyalty. Trust none of them and be on the safe side.

I have witnessed teen aged Japs practicing semaphore signalling in lanes in the 1600 and 1700 blocks 1st and 2nd Avenues West of Granville St Bridge during the past two years, why I wonder? Now Legionaires, it is up to you to get busy before Vancouver becomes another Pearl Harbour.

Veteran

H. Hartwell.
162 Rupert Ave.
Winnipeg.
Manitoba.

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NORTHLANDS P.O., B.C.

LYNNMOUR-DOLLARTON LIBERAL ASSOCIATION



NORTHLANDS P.O., B.C. February 20, 1942.

Alderman H. D. Wilson,
City Hall,
VANCOUVER.

Dear Sir -

At a recent meeting of the above Association, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The Members of this Association wish to express their dissatisfaction with our Federal Government, and Department of Militia and Defence, and any members of the Federal Government, who are in any way by act or suggestion, deferring strenuous and immediate action for the interment of ALL Japanese, particularly in the Province of British Columbia; furthermore, lack of action by the Federal Government and Minister of Militia, is creating a feeling of insecurity throughout the Province of British Columbia, that might easily result in disastrous consequences for those concerned."

We living on the Pacific Coast, are on the spot, and in our opinion, the situation is more serious than the Government seems to realize, and their tardiness in this matter is not conducive to confidence. The matter is urgent, time is valuable, and delay is dangerous.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Secretary.

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P. L. LYFORD, FOREST ENGINEER
FOREST MANAGEMENT
TIMBER LANDS
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SUITE 1012, VANCOUVER BLOCK
VANCOUVER, B. C.

February 21st, 1942.

Alderman H. D. Wilson,
City Hall,
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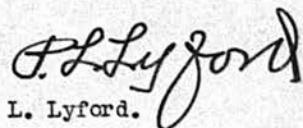
Dear Mr. Wilson:

Re Japanese in British Columbia.

I believe I am expressing the views of a considerable number of other people in Vancouver who have for a long time doubted the advisability of dealing with all Japanese residents in British Columbia alike, but who now have come to the conclusion that you have been right from the beginning, and that the sooner they are put in a safe place, men, women, children, aliens, Naturalized Citizens and all, the better it will be. I enclose herewith a copy of my letter of this date to the R. C. M. P. which expresses my views and in which I thought you would be interested.

I understand the opinion is growing amongst the people of this Province and the City of Vancouver in favor of putting all of the Japanese in a safe place and urging the Dominion Government to take action in this direction immediately. The action so far seems to be confined entirely to what is generally termed "stalling."

Yours very truly,


P. L. Lyford.

PLL/B.
Enc.

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P. L. LYFORD
1012 VANCOUVER BLOCK
VANCOUVER, B. C.

February 21st, 1942.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
"E" Division,
325 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attn. Mr. C.H.Hill, A/Comm'r. Commanding "E" Division.

Dear Sir:

My wife wrote you the other day with reference to the propriety or otherwise of continuing to give employment to a Japanese cleaning woman and a Japanese gardener under the present existing circumstances.

I note your brief reference to the recent order from the Government to remove all male enemy aliens between 18 and 45 years of age from the "protected areas" on or before April 1st, 1942, and your statement that it is quite proper to continue to give employment to the Japanese cleaning woman and the Japanese gardener if the latter is a naturalized British Subject or over the age of 45 years.

This is satisfactory as far as it goes and I believe many other people would be interested to know that this is the expressed official attitude of the Dominion Government authorities.

Many of us are wondering, however, who figured out the rather peculiar age and sex limitations. It is a matter of surprise that any one should believe that male enemy aliens under 18 or over 45 years of age are harmless. There is also a grave doubt in the minds of many people as to whether or not the women may be safely regarded as harmless.

With respect to the "Naturalized Citizen" phase of the matter, it seems to be the general idea among many who have given this subject considerable thought that it would be reasonable to expect that the first step to be taken by an agent for the Japanese Government would be to become naturalized if possible, and probably this would have been done many years ago. Wherein, therefore, is the reason for making any distinction at all? The grave situation at present in the Far East would seem to point toward a strong possibility of Japanese activities spreading to our Coast at an early date, and there seems to be no doubt that it is necessary to remove all Japanese from this Coast Region immediately.

For heaven's sake why not?

Yours very truly,

PLL/B.

P. L. Lyford.

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1 Aberdeen Block 7/23
84 Lauderdale Avenue
W. Vancouver
Feb 2nd 1942

Dear Alld Wilson

I have followed you in
the Press this last few years
on this campaign of hatred
against the Japanese people

You have gone about like
a modern Saul of Tarsus

You were elected to the
City Council a few years ago
to help conduct civic affairs
not to go on a campaign of
race hatred, these folks could
help what the present rulers
of Japan are doing & to
punish them because of the
accident of Birth is to my
mind a hard & cruel thing
Now let me see if I

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caid put you right on this ^{7/23}
Japanese question. You would
think by all the wild talk that
they had just landed illegally
in the country

Your Federal Government
in years that have gone & other
succeeding Governments have
invited these folks here to make
their homes & so are legally
in the country & have as much
right to be here as you & I have

You complain about them
being in business, well you
or the Government did not think
they could live on the air & the
city would not want them on
relief. The time to have made
objection was when they were
being brought here not now

I think it is all to their
credit that they are all self
supporting. You don't see
these Japanese folks in the

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blimey for that matter washing ^{7/23}
their time in the Beer Parlours
like a lot of our White people
& in passing let me remark
who is it that commits the
robberies that goes on & also
the murders like the murder
of that young Japanese the other
week why to our shame it is
our class & that brings me
to another cruel thing that
you are trying to put over &
that is trying to take the
Licenses away from these folks
to make a living

Here we are fighting for
as we say ^{for} democracy & against
Hitler who is cruel to all small
minorities & yet here you are
trying to do the same thing
here

Have you never thought
that a good many of
these folks are members of the

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Anglican Church here & other ^{7/23}
churches & you a Minister
Son of prominent in Church
affairs trying to take their
living away. I think if I
was a Japanese person I
should not be one ever to
blush at by such heat and

I heard a conversation
in the Street Cao a few days ago
on this topic of persecuting these
folks of the party said yes & you
the Son of a Minister evidently
they expected something different
from you

Now Mr Wilson you put
yourself in their place, we will
suppose you & your Wife had
worked hard & built up a nice
little business & then you had
two years of toil all torn down
& you are banished away from
your home & children, it is not

to my mind lawful & it is ^{7/23}
certainly not Christian

Remember this is a small world
now & if Japan gets to Korea &
they will treat you are treating
their people rotten here well out
in Japan our fellows who are
Prisoners will get a rotten time

You know what the good book
says. With what measure ye mete
it will be measured to you again
& they say Stafford if you do a kind
act it takes it home & comes back
to you & vice versa if you do an
unkind act so if I were you
I would cease this campaign
of race hatred & remember God
made of one blood all nations
of men to dwell upon the face
of the Earth

I am going on 64 years of
age now & was a Soldier the last
War & I care just as anxious as
the next about the safety of the

Courtesy, but I maintain when the ^{7/23}
Government took the Japanese Termination
of the Sea any supposed danger
was removed

No Halford in claiming if
you want good luck & the Blessing
of God I would cut this thing
out or our profession of Christ
& his principles are all a sham
it is better to have people's blessing
than their curses

We ought never to have had
another War after the last one
but a lot of folks think money is at
the bottom of it

In any case I think we better
fall to our knees & confess our faults
& ask God to help us as at present
we are passing through a dark
time

With kindest regards

I am

Yours Sincerely

John Goodwin

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HOT AND COLD WATER
ROOMS HEATED

MINTO HOTEL

MINTO CITY
BRIDGE RIVER DISTRICT, B. C.
TOM TAYLOR, PROP.



Feb 23 1942

Mr. Halford Wilson
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir

Halford I was watching Papers and was glad to see you are still breaking the Chislers on the gap question I was much amused to read Chas Jones remarks about get in the Boss. "If anybody is looking for that" Show me any one that has got him beat"

I also was wondering why you were not on the last campaign ticket. I see by results that the wise ones that know everything elected some more C.C.F. in Vancouver and unless they wake themselves up that will be the next Government

I will call on you if I come down about the first of April and want to wish you well with your work. I turned a C.C.F. District here into a Conservative member with Conservative thought that is with me need

HUNTER'S PARADISE

TOURIST'S DREAM

GOOD FISHING

PACKING ARRANGED FOR HUNTERS AND PROSPECTORS

Demainville Best Wishes
Tom Taylor

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Squitty Bay

Squitty Bay
Lasqueti Island.

25/2/42. B. C.

Mr Wilson.

Dear Sir.

For such a long while I have been going to write you but just kept putting it off. I have always be so pleased at the way you have been fighting the Japanese problem. Right here where I live is where the fishing fleet come home to roost after fishing all day outside. And where get to talk to all kinds of these men, the tales we hear over the radio about Japanese Loyalty, well, I laugh each time I hear it. This is a few of the tales we hear, take Queen Charlotte Islands where the Japs have their floating Cannacery. We are told the ramp will carry 150 large fishing boats at a time & they have employment for hundreds of Japs men, women, children, in fact they term it Little Japan & that they own all & everything there. Fishing, timber, etc & this man said there are hundreds of Japs that have sneaked across & he added no one knows what they have stored up there ready for when Japan attacks us, we have nothing to stop them they sweep down this coast

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 like nobody business & be in Vancouver before we can do anything about it. You're they, the Gov done anything about that part of the world. Take Takishasi Camp at Call Creek. It is called Powell St, one man said why they see a Gov boat coming nearly everyone of those Japs scatter into the woods, because dozens of them are no right to be there. I have in mind another man, he told us these big Seine boats go out to William Head & bring in hundreds of Japs off the boat before they are quarantined & spread them all along our coast. A bunch of school boys talking in the play ground, they had for a lesson the population of different countries, one boy asked the Jap why do your people have so many children. His answer was, when time comes we hem white man in this was about 1931. Last Sept there was a rumour around Van some young Japs refused to pay their fare, the conductor insisted; one of them, put his ticket in with this remark, alright, we pay now but soon you pay us. Around an election here on this Island, the candidate was told by a fisherman, about the Japs telling soon no white man fish Jap have it all, the candidate replied, over at Lyman there is a white man & Jap store; the Jap has the post office, in another place there was a large building, like a big barn with a Jap

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man & woman & there must have been 50 babies.
what they were doing there he did not know.

I had heard the Gaps must not own land, then
how did they acquire all the Queen Charlottes.

Some has Gullik's when they got that Call
Creek timber I heard what was not meant for
my ears & it came from Yaki, this is one time I
have pulled it over Morris, well who was the
nigger in the wood pile there, another so called
white man, who saw to it that the Gap got
that timber limit which a white man, I should
think by his name Morris could not get.

When we were building here in 1923 there were lots
of Gaps fishing then & they used to lay in this Bay
but always away from the white fishing boats. one
of them who could speak English & used to do all
the talking for the others, worried us to sell him
this property & we could name any figure we wanted &
they would pay, we did not sell to him, in 1924 when
the fishing season opened, back he came again & just
worried us stiff to sell. Finally we said, we are
not allowed to sell to your people & he just laughed
& said O you not sell to us, we send a white man
you sell him. That is how these Gaps have taken
hold of everything, through a so called white man
Some years ago a boy delivering the papers, on the
road at 4. a. m. Sun morning his route covered
William St. An apartment corner of a short turning

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there. I believe on the night from Commercial, saw a Jap go in one of the suites & there was such a racket he said the room must have been full of them that he would never stoop down to put the paper under the door, the way he put they were up to something & as he really had to sneak along so as not to make a noise at that hour, he was afraid one of them might think he was snooping on them. At that time I mind there was something the matter with the Japs, the boy he was scared to go up there as they might all be Communist. Well, Sir I could go relating lots of tales brought in by these fishing men, want I want you to know is we admire the way you have constantly been trying to bring home to the people the danger. Don't you think it is the time to do something about that Gentlemen's agreement business & also this is the chance to get them all out of B. C.

The Japs have not used this Bay for three or four years now, they go just round the bluff into the other one. This enclosed cutting would be about 12 years old I think.

Trusting you will not think this is a liberty, because after all you may know it all.

I remain, your's
Respectfully,
Mrs D. White

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This is referring to
the Gaps settlement on
Stuart Ave. Nanaimo
Right a few feet from these three
oil tanks.

W.H.W.

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SOLDIERS COME, JAPANESE WARN

Leniency of Government to
Fishermen With Return of
Boats Only Adds to Their
Insolence

PORT ALBERNI, Aug. 21.—By instruction of the Federal Department of Fisheries, six of the Japanese fishing boats captured and confiscated for illegal fishing on the West Coast of the Island, were returned to their owners last week. The condition of release was the payment of a nominal sum of money, far inadequate to meet the costs to which the Government was put in connection with the cases. The remaining boats are subject to release on similar conditions. One of the Japanese owners who, on his oath stated through a court interpreter that he could neither speak nor understand the English language, found himself possessed of ability to make himself understood when his boat was being returned to him. He was clear and concise in remarks of ugly significance. This Japanese was in a surly mood when he arrived at the Port Alberni float where the boats were tied up under guard. He held some conversation with Captain W. J. Stone, who was acting as guard. He assumed the aggrieved air of one on whom a grave injustice had been inflicted. Captain Stone ventured a comforting opinion to the effect that when the Japanese went fishing without licences, they could hardly expect, in case they were caught, to escape the penalties prescribed, to which this particular victim of the law replied that the fishery officials, mentioning two of them by name, were no good, and as he boarded his launch delivered this parting shot: "By and by, when Japanese soldiers come, they fix 'em."

Work Against Whites

To people unacquainted with Japanese insolence on this West Coast that remark might mean no more than an utterance of silly intent. To the man who is compelled to brush against the Japanese who overrun the fishing grounds of this Coast, and who has observed their development of proprietary attitude, it means more. Not so long since was this borne out in approaches made by the Japanese to Indian fishermen. The Indians were organizing with white men, and the organization was not appreciated by the Japanese. Japanese representatives waited on a number of Indians and tried to point out to them the foolishness of casting in their lot with the white men, declaring that the Japanese would soon be in control of the country, and that the Indians might then suffer for their lack of foresight.

The Japanese were not very far from port after recovering their boats last week when they began a dangerous display of swashbuckling in contempt for the rights of white men in these waters. They went down Alberni Canal and Barclay Sound in darkness without lights on their boats. They could see other launches with lights approaching, but the other navigators could not see them. In a reckless manner the Japanese cut across the bows of crafts weaker than their own, and in one case struck a white man's boat, but did not stop.

These are the Japanese for whom a sympathetic plea was successfully made to the Government following the court order for confiscation. It is now also recalled that when the Japanese were here awaiting the decision of the court they had large rolls of money which they displayed, some of them admitting that they expected and were ready to pay, fines of \$100 each. They were assessed \$100 each.

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PRESIDENT Mrs. R. F. Crierie

PHONE FA 1442-Y

SECRETARY Mrs. W. Kitchener

PHONE BA 4722-Y

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

VANCOUVER, B. C.



Feb. 25th, 1942.

Ald. Halford D. Wilson,
City Hall,
City.

Dear Sir:

We of the above Association moved and seconded at our last general meeting, a resolution endorsing your stand, in the taking away and issuing of no new licenses to Japanese, or any Enemy Alien with no recompense to be given.

We also would like you to use your influence with regard to the men of the Armed Forces. We feel that they should be ordered by their Commanding Officer to stay out of Japanese and Enemy Alien stores, and to do their purchasing in a Canadian, or place of business conducted by one of our Allies.

It is very disgusting to see a man dressed in the King's Uniform going into a Japanese store, when he never knows how soon he may be called to fight them. We feel sure these conditions would not prevail in Japan.

Thanking you, we remain

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. W. Kitchener

Cor. Sec.

3588 West 32nd. Ave.,
City

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Alderman Wilson
City.

Dear Sir -

Enclosed find letter I wrote
some weeks ago but did not have
the audacity to bother you with it
until I saw in the Province that
Ottawa was intending to move 22000
Japs. Now this move will only
scatter the germs of the disease but
will not cure it. If the above
number are to be moved why in Heaven's
name don't we send them to Japan
and be free of them entirely.

In making slaves of them we only
invite reprisals.

If anything in the letter meets with
your approval use it, if not destroy it
Approving of your efforts to make this a
white country, I am yours truly, A. Fraidoz

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Sir -

As there is an apparent indecision regarding the Japanese question may I at the risk of being called a rabble rouser submit the following -

If it can be safely assumed that the Japanese now with us are not a war menace, then why any interference with them.

If they are considered a war menace then scattering them will do little good and may do much harm.

But the war menace is not the half of it, are they a civil menace. Look at their policy of "peaceful penetration" under the gentlemen's agreement which has resulted in an increase of from 700 to 24000 in my own span.

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As to the increase in the next twenty years just ask any old cattlemen in the city for his estimate of the size of his herd in twenty years starting with herd of 10 breeding ste stock. Have him estimate all probable loss due to extreme cold drouth and poor shelter.

Ask him his estimate if he started with a herd of 1000 ste stock and sells nothing under 40 years of age. Then to the total add another 23000 that his neighbor ranchers would give him and quit for lack of range.

If this total convinces you then we have a civil menace may I submit the following opinion on a solution.

Before coming here I had never seen a body of water larger than a horse trough so I am no seaman,

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but I understand there about 1000
fishing vessels along the B.C. coast
and surely 100 or more should be
capable of a one way sea voyage, there
should be a number of freighters in
Canadian water that could be made
seaworthy.

Assemble enough space off the coast
to accommodate the whole Japanese
population here, let them take all
their clothing, money, valuables,
~~their~~ education and western culture,
The Canadian government supply the
necessary fuel and retain all land,
improvements, trucks and machinery.

Appoint 50 war veterans to handle
the operations (The British moved
30000 in two days under a hail
of bombs) surely we could move
24000 without cruelty or hardship
to the Japanese as their families

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would not even be separated.

I am told the men are expert seamen, no doubt there are many naval officers among them.

Make them a present of all these vessels, escort them to the ten mile limit, set their course toward the rising sun, wish them good speed, so sorry please, goodbye.

And my little grandson may yet run the range in a white faced herd when he is a man

A. Fraidof.
Future. B. C.

No odium is intended in above comparisons

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ROWLAND M. SCHOU
2184 W. 45TH AVE.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

March 1st 1942.

Alderman Halford Wilson,
City Hall,
Vancouver, B. C.

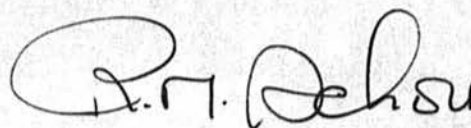
Dear Mr. Wilson,-

At last some action is being taken by Ottawa in evacuating the Japanese from the coastal and defense areas in B. C. This is undoubtedly solely due to the recent verbal barrage on the government by various local bodies demanding the removal of these alien people from our midst. I feel that your ceaseless efforts to make our people see the dangers of the Japanese situation here are at last being rewarded.

Having got so far, we must look further. We must by individual and organized effort start a campaign to rid Canada of the Japanese at the conclusion of the war. The Japanese must be sent to Japan. When this war is over there will be plenty of room there, and doubtless with our education to assist them even the Canadian born Japanese will be welcomed. The assets of the Japanese here should be fairly valued, and then the moneys for these should be given to the Japanese on their departure. The cost of such a settlement is microscopic as measured in terms of war costs, and should be charged to the cost of the war.

The program which I have suggested will require careful organization. We must have a very 'vocal' body here comprised of key people from various local groups such as service clubs who will take an active part in this plan. Failing this, we shall find that various commercial interests here will do everything possible to again open the labor market and industry to the Japanese. These people are always well organized and only by careful planning can we hope to frustrate them. Only by the success of such a scheme as I have suggested here can we permanently solve our long standing Japanese problem.

Yours truly,



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Sir: You are a fit team mate for Mr R Rowe Holland, that brilliant attorney who declares our morale can ONLY be kept HIGH provided we are given an abundance of dances, theatrical shows etc etc. Our morning product & what a sheet it is, encourages the gambling craze, BUT the council are too busy with granting permission for still another cabaret to take people's minds off their duty as citizens, more so the youths of military age: to worry about such incidents as horse races & all that goes with that vicious "sport" or to approach the Editor & say Right minded people believe that such items as YOU & W Kelk give out, is completely out of accord with the solid & serious intention to achieve victory. We need a Sir S Cripps, it is queer that this country does not seem to produce ONE man who measures up even slightly to the least intelligent of the berated "old school tie" ministers. For our guide we have to call on British "ministers, British Aldermen, because we are Pagan & sadistic, our one idea of war is GOOD TIMES, more war cost inflictures, threats of strike, well let 'em, we can get along OKAY. The accomplishments of you GANG (omitting Ald Bennett) is beneath contempt for as leaders, as men? able to give the lead & set an example, you are the MOST abject, pitiful & helpless coterie that ever took money for services NOT rendered, as ever brought discredit on an Empire city.
A..J.. Bland..

1816 Pendrell St

March 10th/42

A. J. Bland

A fit & proper place for YOU is along with your Jap pals in some road camp, NOT encouraging people to take their time off the war, & waste money in profligate, wild & vicious orgies of drinking & Bachimalean revelry.

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May Not Think Of Getting Paid For War Supplies

Before the war is over United Nations will be laying down materials of war where they are most urgently needed without much thought of how these materials are to be paid for, thinks Professor H. F. Angus, of British Columbia University, who spoke to the Y.M.C.A. Public Affairs Committee at the National Gallery auditorium Monday night.

Should the war last any great length of time, this situation may obtain throughout those parts of the world which are opposed to the Axis because the economies of the Allies will be directed towards a common goal—victory. Moreover, external trade will be so disrupted by the exigencies of war that it would be a waste of time for the various powers to undertake to give value received in the way of goods, or gold in exchange for armaments, Professor Angus maintained.

Speaking of post-war economy, the speaker visualized multi-lateral trade agreements and the demonetization of gold. The ideal system, he thought, would be to have external trade carried on through a central bank in a similar manner to the modern way of doing internal business through domestic banks.

Confidence in banking systems, he explained, had made it unnecessary for business men to use the expensive method of paying for all their purchases in gold coins, and a like confidence in an international way might eliminate an expensive method of international banking on a gold basis. The speaker was introduced by Dr. H. L. Keenleyside, of the Department of External Affairs, who presided.

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House of Commons
Canada

Ottawa, March 10, 1942.

H. D. Wilson, Esq.,
Alderman,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I duly received your letter of the 24th ultimo. The enclosed is taken from the Ottawa Journal of this date. While the City Council of Vancouver, which is the third largest City in Canada, unanimously adopted a resolution that Professor Angus should not be included in any revived committee, yet you will see how he is played up here with the aid of his friend Dr. Keenlyside.

Yours faithfully,

A. W. Neill.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'A. W. Neill', written in a cursive style.

Encl.

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March 26, 1942.

The Chairman and Executive Members,
ALLIED CITIZENS DEFENSE COUNCIL,
Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to instructions, I beg to report, on behalf of the Special Committee appointed at the last regular Executive meeting, to draft recommendations relative to the policy to be followed by the Council.

The following received unanimous endorsement of your Special Committee:

- (1) That the Council serve as a medium whereby all Organizations and Societies interested in the promotion and preservation of present British standards and the British way of life may unite their efforts in pressing for the removal of all persons of the Japanese race and all enemy aliens from the defense area, defined by Order-in-Council;
- (2) That the Council serve as a medium to unite the efforts of all affiliated Societies in urging the removal of any condition whatsoever, which may be considered to jeopardize the safety and security of the citizens of British Columbia;
- (3) That the Council may be a medium for securing co-operation between all Organizations desirous of keeping the Government, through the B.C. Security Commission, aware of public feeling, as touching matters vital to the safety and security of the citizens of this Province;
- (4) That the Council, through the efforts of its affiliated Societies, press for the immediate removal of Japanese from vital areas in the defended area, where war materials are being produced and such areas strategic for military operations;

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- (5) That the operations of the Council be non-political in their entirety;
- (6) That no Organization, by virtue of its affiliation, is committed to endorse the acts of the Council unless such affiliated Society has, by resolution, endorsed the same;
- (7) That all members of the Executive and Council must be duly accredited representatives of an affiliated Society.

Your policy Committee submits these seven recommendations as being important in the preparation and framing of a Constitution which will set out the aims and objects of the Organization and will further provide the answers to questions which have been asked by prospective affiliated members.

It is felt that at the regular meeting of the full Executive, other recommendations may be made. It is, therefore, submitted that this report in no way should be considered as being complete in determining the policy of the Organization.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd) "Halford D. Wilson"

CHAIRMAN

HDW:MH

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ALLIED CITIZENS OF GREATER VANCOUVER.
543- Granville Street.
Vancouver, B.C.

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April, 1st 1942

Secretary;

The Executive Committee appointed on March 2nd, 1942 at a meeting of citizens, and veterans organizations, called by the U.C.T. in Elk's Hall, Vancouver, B.C. present the following recommendations relative to the policy, to be adopted by the Executive, and official delegates, to the Council of the "Allied Citizens of Greater Vancouver."

It is hoped that your association will give this matter your serious consideration, and that you will see fit to appoint a delegate to the Council, which will;

1. Continue to press for the immediate removal of Japanese, and all enemy aliens from vital areas, such as water supply, airports, etc.;

2. Urge the removal of any condition whatsoever, which may be considered to jeopardize the safety and security of the citizens of B.C.

3. That the Council act as a medium between citizens and the proper authorities, whereby public opinion may be utilized for the benefit, and safety of the citizens of B.C.

4. That the Allied Citizens of Greater Vancouver, be non-partizan in every sense of the term.;

5. That no organization, by virtue of its affiliation, be committed to endorse the acts of the Council, unless such affiliated organization has, by resolution, endorsed such acts;

6. That all members of the Executive and Council be duly accredited representatives of an affiliated organization.

Events have shown that it is only through concerted action induced by organized, informed public opinion, that results have been achieved. The more organizations who join this Council, the greater will be our power to insure action.

Please reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

~~Major RCG Handisty~~
~~Acting Secretary~~

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116. East 16th Ave

Mr Wilson

Dear Sir,

I have a newspaper cutting from the Province newspaper, either it was of March 41 - or 42. - you too may have the same news cutting. I have read so much about the second generation Japanese being loyal, this statement to me is interesting & I thought it might be as interesting to you too. I had this typed from my copy.

yours Truly
(Mrs) C Bray.

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NIPPON SAYS SWAY EXERCISED IN
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TOKIO, March 7.--(AP)--Foreign
Minister Koki Hirota declared
in the Diet today that American-
born Japanese, even though living
in America, "should be educated
as Japanese."

The statement was in reply
to questions from Bunji Suzuki,
Labor leader, who asked if the
government had any educational
policy for those of the "second
generation."

Hirota replied: "A majority
of Japanese born in the United
States in recent years cancelled

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Japanese citizenship. They must receive an American education. But they remain Japanese, and they should be educated as Japanese, in order to retain Japanese virtues. For this purpose the semi-official Migration Association keeps close connection with them.

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REGISTRAR GENERAL OF VOTERS



COURT-HOUSE, VANCOUVER, B.C.

Personal

May 5, 1942.

Alderman Halford D. Wilson,
City Hall,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Alderman Wilson:

I was pleased to receive your letter of April 29th. I think that you can depend upon the support of the soldiers after the war is over to see that the Japs do not come back to the Coast.

Yesterday a young man by the name of Don Mitchell whom I have known for some years called at the office. He has been time-keeper for the securities commission at a Japanese camp at Yellowhead. He stated that the Japanese are still Japanese. At one camp they had a sit-down strike and hoisted the Japanese flag and sang their National Anthem. There was one lone mounted policeman there. Finally about 30 of them were taken to an internment camp. At another camp they became unruly and threw the white foreman into the river. The foreman was punished by the commission by being promptly fired, because he could not get along with the Japs. Mitchell states that the foremen in the camps are expected to get along and not offend these yellow men.

That is the kind of thing which is going on. Mitchell has now quit as he stated that he could not stand the conditions at the camps. There seems to be a "hush-hush" policy regarding all these matters for fear of offending Japanese susceptibility. You may be able to use this information but it might not perhaps be as well to use Mitchell's name. If you would like to talk to him I can perhaps find him for you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Geo. M. Phillips".

Geo. M. Phillips,

Registrar-General of Voters.

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Vern. B.C.
May 14th

Aldersman;
H.D. Wilson.

Dear Sir: -

In reference to
your gap question. I
noticed in Province Tuesday
May 12th where you mentioned
about the gaps still in
business here. In the 2700
blk. Alma Rd. near Power
station. There is a dressmak-
ing business with 5 women
& 1 man working steady all

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1232 E. Pender St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

May 14, 1942.

Ald. H.D. Wilson,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir;

Please accept this belated letter of acknowledgement re the good work you have done and are still doing re the Japanese situation.

You have the whole hearted support of more Vancouver citizens than you realize, although many, like myself have neglected to tell you so, and that we propose to back you up with actions in future. This despite the fact that we will be branded rabble rousers by those who thrive by forcing sub-normal living standards.

As usual we have accomplished our aims the hard way. Having eliminated unfair business competition, the next move should be to make sure this cankerous growth should never again be allowed to take root. It may be a long way to look ahead, but the sentiment of most people I have talked to is that they should never be allowed back here, and after the war deported en masse.

It is inconceivable that they should be allowed to claim Canadian citizenship when they register with their consul as citizens of Japan. If there is any organized movement along these lines I and thousands of others are with you 100%. Thanking you again for your most efficient though thankless efforts in a just cause, I am,

Sincerely,

A. L. Drake

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CITY OF VANCOUVER

License OFFICE

CITY HALL

May 19th, 1942.

Alderman H. D. Wilson,
CITY HALL.

Dear Alderman:-

As far as the Department is able to ascertain the number of Japanese still in business in the City is approximately 228. This figure I might point out is 'very' approximate as a number of Japanese have gone out of business without having transferred their license, which of course would not be indicated on our records until the Inspectors have their districts fully worked, therefore we are unable to ascertain with any degree of certainty, those who are still in business and those out of business.

However, in any case, two-thirds of the businesses now operated by Japanese are in that area of Powell Street where the Japanese community is centered.

Yours very truly,

H. A. Hinghart
LICENSE INSPECTOR

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Ocean View Cemetery.
TORONTO, May 21.—(CP)—
Miss Emma Kaufman, member
of the National Council of the
Y.W.C.A., has left for British
Columbia to conduct a survey
designed to pave the way for an
educational program for Japa-
nese women and children in in-
ternment camps.

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May 22nd ..

Mr. Wilson.

Knowing how you for years have done
all in your power. to rid B.C. of its
unpopular Japanese. noted this in last night's
Province. & most certainly hope. someone
will do something about it. after all why?
should we. have to pay. further toward
the education. of these loathsome people.
seems to me they already know. more than
is good for the safety of our country.
So thought you might bring this to the
notice of the city council. & when this woman
arrives in B.C. tell her. she isn't at all
welcome here. but could do us a better
service. by returning to Ottawa. & educating
McKenzie King. to the fact. we here in B.C.
have had enough. of this Jap. stuff. & feel it's
time they did. far more than just order them
sent to Hastings Park. & to think this woman wants
them further educated. makes my blood boil. so
here. hoping you'll be able to bring this
before. the council. & Do something about it.

I Thank you. M. E. Padfield.

We want them all right out of the country.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER
RESOLUTION FORM

Moved by Alderman Malford D. Wilson

Seconded by Alderman Jack Price,

That **the City Council request the B.C. Security Commission to file with the City the total number of permits issued, permitting Japanese to remain in the City of Vancouver and the number housed at Hastings Park;**

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED That the License Inspector report at the next meeting of his Committee the number of Japanese licenses in current operation.

Dated

July 15th, 1942.

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MINISTER OF LABOUR

Ottawa, August 26, 1942.

Dear Mr. Howlett:

I have your letter of August 18th and I note the recommendation of the City Finance Committee which was adopted by the Vancouver City Council on August 17th, to the effect that the military authorities be asked to take over the evacuation of the Japanese.

The recommendation is noted, however, I am not convinced that a change at this late date would have the effect the City Council of Vancouver desires and rather than speed up the movement, it would bring about a measure of confusion which would create further delay.

I regret to have to disagree with your Council but I do feel that I should be frank in the matter.

Yours very truly,

(sgd)

"HUMPHREY MITCHELL"

Mr. Fred Howlett,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
Vancouver, B. C.

acknowledged
M. H.
Oct. 17, 1942

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Port Mellon, B. C.
October 14 - 42.

Alderman Wilson,
City Hall, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Having followed
your sincere efforts in
regard to our enemies the "Japs"
regarding the way the "Security
Commission" handled their
evacuation from defense areas.
I thought possibly you might
be interested to know that,
there are approximately 175 Japs
located at "Taylor Lake" on
the P. G. E. Railway which I
understand is in the defense
zone, engaged in the cutting
of timber, surely this is

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N.D.

in defiance of the ^{N.D.} Laws of
this country. When are we
people going to wake up?
Here we have the spectacle
of Britishers walking the streets
of Vancouver & veterans capable
of doing work are informed not
wanted. Being a taxpayer &
war veteran I have every
confidence that you will
take this matter up in the
same spirit as you already
have shown to have this
menace (the Japs) removed
from this vital area.

Yours very truly
St. Bennett

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Dr. Oliver Leslie
DENTIST

OFFICE PHONE: SEYMOUR 420
HOUSE PHONE: KERRISDAL 353-L

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903 MEDICAL DENTAL BLDG.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dec. 6/42.

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Jan. 10/42
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Dear Alderman Wilson:

Re the Japanese trouble, I have always been in favor of your policy. I think you have advocated the only safe proposition: get them away from the waterfront! If they are loyal Canadians they will see the wisdom of such precaution. They can come back, if and when they deserve it. Why run the risk of another Pearl Harbor fiasco? Who would be such a fool as to fancy we have no Quislings in our midst?

Yours Sincerely,

Oliver Leslie