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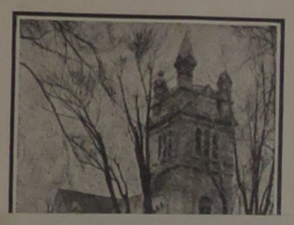
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Request from Private Homes for Domestics in Ontario:

Dr. Marshall, Belleville - 1 Girl
R.E. Hackborn. " - 1 Girl.

From Dr Dorey:

Mrs. Harry Ryrie, Clarkson Ont - 1 Girl
(Has written to Austin Taylor personally)
Mrs Elgin E. Wasson, Clarkson, Ont 1 Girl.
Dr Dickinson, Port Hope, Ont - 1 Girl shd. be able to drive a car.

Dr. McLocke, Belleville - 1 Girl
(Letter from Dorothy Kirkpatrick, Sec. Bridge St United Church).

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Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.,
207 West Hastings St.,,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Bunt:

Re: Japanese Girls

I have your letter of September 18th, regarding the placing of girls in positions. I have written to Mr. Rae about the possibility of getting a girl for Mr. Synder, which is special case. Thanks very much for all you have done.

Yours sincerely,

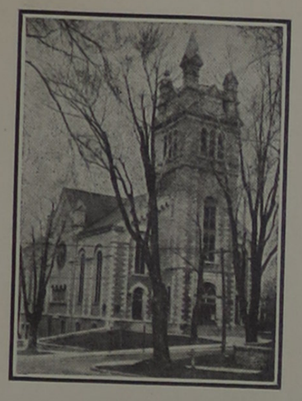
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BELLEVILLE, ONT.

September 28th, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir;

Dr. and Mrs. Locke, members of Bridge St. United Church have requested the services of two Japanese girls. They would like to have a girl who would be able to take responsibility for the cooking, and another that would do the cleaning, etc.

Dr. Locke is a medical doctor, also an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. He has a very large practice in Belleville and surrounding territory. They would give the girls a good home and would prefer to have two so they would be company for one another. Mrs. Locke is also a nurse and does a great deal of work in the office with the Doctor and they both feel that they could take the responsibility of the two girls.

As you know there are already seven Japanese girls at Albert College so these girls might easily have friends here.

If you could advise re. the necessary procedure re. securing the girls and having them placed here it would be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Dorothy Fitzpatrick.

Secretary, Bridge St. United Church.

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October 3rd 1942

Miss Dorothy Kirkpatrick,
Secretary, Bridge Street United Church,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Miss Kirkpatrick,

In the absence of Mr. Bunt from the City, I am replying to your letter of the 28th September.

I might say that we are finding difficulty in getting girls to go East at present, as there is a possibility of the Security Commission establishing the family unit again, and naturally the girls(and probably the parents have a great deal to do with it) do not wish to go away if there is a chance of their homes being re-established. We have been trying to get six girls for the Belleville General Hospital for the past two month, but so far without success. However, if Dr. and Mrs. Locke want to pursue the matter further, they should write to Mrs. Booth, B.C.Security Commission, Marine Bldg., Vancouver, B.C., stating their requirements - the type of work the girls would have to undertake, living accommodation, salaries they are willing to pay, (the minimum salary for experienced help is $30.00 per month and $25.00 for inexperienced), and of course as the girls are not anxious to leave home, the proposition would need to be fairly attractive. It might be well to mention that the girls should be Christian Japanese, and preferably United Church girls.

Once these details are before the Security Commission, Mrs. Booth will give you all the details of the procedure necessary in order to have the girls placed. I believe it has to go through the placement officer of the Employment Service of Canada, but of this procedure I am not quite sure. However, Mrs.Booth will give Dr. Locke all the details necessary should she find girls willing to go. I am sending a copy of your letter to Mrs.Booth, so that if Dr. Locke decides to pursue the matter further she will have the preliminary letter of enquiry and will know something of his standing in Belleville.

Miss Helen Hurd of the W.M.S. here, has been looking after this phase of the evacuation for our Church, and picking the United Church girls most suited for the positions. She is at present out of the city on a tour of the various communities in the Interior where the Japanese are being settled, but as soon as she comes back I will give her your letter and she will take the matter up with Mrs. Booth.

Regretting I cannot give you a more hopeful reply meantime,

I remain, yours sincerely,

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Office Secretary.

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October 3rd 1942

Mrs. Booth,
B.C.Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mrs. Booth:

The enclosed is copy of a letter which reached this office this morning, and in the absence of both Mr. Bunt and Miss Hurd from the City, I am taking the liberty of forwarding this copy to you meantime.

I have written Miss Kirkpatrick, asking her to have Dr. Locke write you direct, giving full details of their requirements - type of work to be undertaken, living accommodation, salaries to be paid etc.

As soon as Miss Hurd gets back to the city, I will give her Miss Kirkpatrick's letter, and no doubt she will get in touch with you regarding the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Office Secretary.

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Oct. 6th, 1942.

Miss Agnes Murray,
Secretary, The United Church of Canada,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Miss Murray:

I am in receipt of your letter of Oct. 3rd, with enclosure.

Dr. Locke's application will be placed on file and is being acknowledged from this Office.

Yours very truly,

C. V. Booth,
Evacuation Officer.

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O. A. Marshall D. D. S., M. R. C. D. S. O.
Jack A. Marshall D. D. S., L. D. S.
110 Bridge St., East Belleville, Ontario

July 21st, 1942.

Rev. W.P.Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
Superintendent of Missions,
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.,
207 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Bunt,-

Dr. Howard gave me a copy of your letter to him regarding the placing of Japanese girls in private homes as domestics.

My cousin Mrs. Wallace Coburn wrote me suggesting that we make application for one of the girls, but I hesitated as I did not think it would be fairto do so when there were no others in the city. Now that Dr. Howard has some of the girls at Albert College it would be very much nicer as they would have someone from their distict to help in a small way to overcome the unfortunate position they find themselves. Dr. And Mrs. Wallace Coburn live at 1012 Balfour Ave., Vancouver, and had their girl sent east. We had hoped that her family would be coming further east but they stopped in Alberta I am informed.

Our home is a semi-bungalow with two bedrooms and bath on the ground floor and two bedrooms and bath on the second floor. There are just the three of us- Mrs. Marshall, our son who will be five this fall and myself. I am in my fortieth year. There is about an acre of land in our lot so we do not feel crouded as one sometimes finds in a larger city.

Our reason for applying for a girl is that last winter we had the missfortune to lose a baby boy. We thought that Mrs Marshall was coming along fine so early this summer I arranged for the girl who was with us to go into one of our factories on war work. She was too good an operator to be kept from this work when every hand is needed. Now the doctors find that Mrs. Marshall needs to get out with other people more than is possible when looking after ones home and son. Red Cross and VON etc. Therefore we would prefer a girl who is experiencedand able to take over the general run of the house. However, Mrs, Marshall always works along with whoever is with us. You spoke of hours of work. We have our breakfast about 8.15 a.m. and our evening meal at

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6.15 p.m. after which a girl is through. A girl on our schedule can have considerable time to herself every afternoon.One half day off each week, every second Sunday and generally every Sunday. As to Church attendance we generally arrange between us the services attended also evenings are divided so that may get out a couple of evenings and have some one in the house with our son. As I am forced to work three and four nights a week to help take care of the influx in our population I find it difficult to get many evenings off. Therefore a girl in our home finds herself with plenty of time to herself,although we would not countenance continual late hours and I doubt if you would want us to.

As to wages - Dr. Howard informed me that experienced help started at a minimum of $25.00 which is what we always start a girl with experience. If I am wrong please correct me.

For references - locally I can do no better than Dr. Howard as I look after his family professionally and also a great many of the dental needs of the students at the College.

Dr. James Semple , 100 Bridge St., E., of Bridge Street United Church lives next door to my Father and Mother and where our offices are. I am a Presbyterian and our Deaconess Miss S.V.Scott 224 Albert St. originally came from Vancouver.

My Uncle and Aunt , Mr. and Mrs. W.A.Wyllie formerly of Kamloops,B.C. are now living at 1003 Laurier Ave., Vancouver.

Also theafore mentioned Dr. And Mrs. Wallace Coburn.

If further information or references are needed kindly inform me

Yours sincerely,

Jack A. Marshall.

~~Jack~~ A. Marshall

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July 30th 1942

Mr. Jack Marshall, D.D.S., L.D.S.,
110 Bridge Street East.,
Belleville, Ontario.

Dear Dr. Marshall,

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter addressed to Mr. Bunt, dated July 21st. I regret he is at present out of the city, and it will probably be about the middle of August before he returns.

I have tried to contact our W.M.S. worker who has been looking after our Japanese girls, but she also is out of the city meantime. However, I will keep your letter before me meantime, and if anything can be done about it before Mr. Bunt gets back, I will certainly attend to it, but I might add that there is an inclination on the part of the Japanese girls not to go east at present, as there is some talk of the Japanese being settled as families, and naturally they wish to be with their family if it is possible.

Your letter willhave Mr. Bunt's attention when he returns.

Regretting I cannot give you a more definite reply at present,

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Office Secretary.

Got in touch with Miss Hurd later + read the letter to her

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KINDLY ADDRESS REPLY TO THE BRANCH
FROM WHICH THIS LETTER IS WRITTEN

R. E. Hachborn.

Belleville, Ont.,
July 28, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
Superintendent of Missions,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir,-

We appreciated receiving your letter of June 12th in reply to ours of June 11th, in connection with securing a Japanese domestic, and shortly afterward engaged a local girl so that we did not do anything further but now wish to reopen the request and hope you will pardon our not having acknowledged your kind communication.

The Security Commission have sent us forms to fill out but advise that they have no girls available at present. We had an interview with the young ladies located at the Albert College and offhand they could not suggest any friend or relative. We were favourable impressed with the young women we were talking to, and they seem quite happy and like Belleville.

At this late date, no doubt many of the Japanese people have moved eastward and left Vancouver, and we are wondering if you have W. M. S. workers at centres where they are now located? If so, will you be kind enough to forward our communication because we are anxious to get someone just as soon as possible.

Thanking you in advance for anything you can do for us, we are,

Yours very truly,

NATIONAL GROCERS COMPANY, LIMITED,

Manager

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FORM No. 29

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July 31st 1942

Mr. R.S. Hachborn,
National Grocers Company,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Sir,

This will acknowledge receipt of yours of the 28th inst., I regret Mr. Bunt is at present out of the city, and will not be back until about the middle of August. I have 'phoned our W.M.S. worker who takes care of all matters relating to the employment of our Japanese girls as domestics. She has a note of your request, and will do her best to find someone for you, but there is an inclination on the part of the girls just at present to hold back from taking positions, owing to there being some talk of the Security Commission moving them out as families, and of course it is only natural that they do not want to be separated from their homes if there is a chance of the whole family being settled somewhere together.

Regretting I cannot give you a more definite reply at the present moment, and assuring you we will keep your request in mind, and write you further just as soon as we find someone suitable and willing to go.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Office Secretary.

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R.E. Hachborn

Mr. R.E. Hachborn,
Mgr. National Grocers Ltd.,
Bellville, Ont.

Dear Mr. Hachborn:

In reply to yours of the 11th. inst. regarding a Japanese domestic for your own home, I have this suggestion to make. That Mrs. Hatchborn and yourself arrange to interview the young ladies who have gone to Albert College and talk the matter over with them, as it is more than likely that some of them might have a friend whom they would like to have come to Belville. It would certainly be a lot easier to get the young lady to go if she knew she were to be near some of her own friends. The Japanese are very loyal to each other, and during the process of breaking up their home connections it will mean much to their peace of mind if, in the new surroundings they are not completely severed from former friends. If the young ~~women~~ women who have gone to Belville would suggest one or more, it would facilitate things here. Of course, our W.M.S. worker would make a full investigation as to the suitability of the young lady before sending her.

As there may be a party leaving for Hamilton toward the end of the month, I would suggest that you waste no time in having a chat with the girls at the College. Then you might write me again by Airmail. Dr. Semple is an old college-mate of mine, and if he says that you are O.K., I shall assume that you are.

With good wishes,

Rev. W.P. Bunt

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Belleville, Ont.,
June 11, 1942.

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R.E. Hachborn.

Rev. W.P. Bunt, B.A.B.D.,
Supt. of Missions,
Dominion Bank Building,
207 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,-

We would like to make enquiry re a Japanese female domestic for the subscribers home. Mr. Franklin of the Albert College, Belleville gave us your address.

There are just the two of us, Mrs. Hachborn and myself, and we are living in a five roomed apartment. The girl would be assured of ideal surroundings and good treatment and of course we would prefer someone with previous experience and with some knowledge of home cooking and the various duties of looking after a household.

We will appreciate very much if you will be kind enough to write us at your earliest convenience and for reference we think you could apply to Dr. James Semple of the Bridge St. United Church, Belleville, of which we are members.

Thanking you in advance and hoping to hear from you soon, we are,

Yours very truly,

R.E. Hachborn

Manager.

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VIA AIR MAIL

June 25th, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Japanese Domestics.

Dear Mr.Bunt:-

We have a couple of special cases of persons wanting domestics which we are referring to you. The first is the case of Mrs. Harry Ryrie of Clarkson, Ontario. I understand that she has written to Mr. Austin Taylor asking him to send her a girl. I presume that she is acquainted with him.

The other is for Mrs. Elgin E. Wasson, also of Clarkson. She wants a girl. Both these homes are suitable. Indeed, they are the very best. They are people of means and if you could find out whether Mr. Taylor is going to send a girl to Mrs. Ryrie, you might at the same time get one for Mrs. Wasson. It would be nice if both these girls can be together. If you can do that we shall see to it that our minister at Clarkson is advised so that he can get in touch with these girls.

Yours sincerely,

Geo Dorey.

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VIA AIR MAIL

June 23, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C,

Re: Domestic Servants in Toronto.

Dear Mr.Bunt:-

I am enclosing copy of a letter which the Honourable Humphrey Mitchell wrote to the Mayor of Toronto, and copy of a letter which the Chief of Police wrote to the Mayor when he was asked for a report on a family that was living on Cottingham Street, and with this, an article which appeared in The Star last night according to which you will see that the Superintendent of the Mounted Police sees no objection to this movement.

I wonder whether you could find out from the Security Commission whether they are going to wait for the permission of the City Council before giving authority for these girls to come with the understanding, of course, that we shall look after them, and in the meantime if somebody wants to know a little more, you can say that evidently the Security Commission has given permission to this family to which the Chief of Police refers to come to Toronto, and you might also whisper in their shell-like ear that the Chairman of the Security Commission is reported to have given permission for a young lady of Japanese origin to come to Toronto to act as a domestic to a family living on Farnham Avenue. You might also tell them that she came down to Toronto on the same train as the group that went to Albert College, and that evidently the Mayor and Council were not consulted as to whether she should come. And so, you might very gently ask why the Churches should have to wait upon His Worship the Mayor and all the satraps and governors of Toronto before trying to help out, and you might let us know what fruit your inquiries have borne.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Geo Dorey

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MINISTER OF LABOUR
Canada

Ottawa, May 5, 1942.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I have your letter of May 1st with reference to the Japanese being moved from the British Columbia coastal area.

The Dominion Government is leaving the question of detailed arrangements to the British Columbia Security Commission and has authorized that Commission to enter into agreements with provinces or cities, which agreements will provide terms under which placements could be made.

While reasons can be advanced for the opinion you state, it is a fact that British Columbia is at the present time more vulnerable than many other parts of Canada and because of this fact and in order that the Japanese themselves may be protected, it was thought well to adopt the general policy of moving them from the British Columbia coast.

As to whether or not the City of Toronto enters into any arrangements with the British Columbia Security Commission, may I say that this is something which should be determined by the City Council of Toronto and it might well be that you would wish to consult with the Ontario Department of Labour because we have an arrangement with that Department that it will be consulted in regard to any proposed movement.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Humphrey Mitchell

His Worship Mayor F. J. Conboy, D.D.S.,
City Hall,
Toronto, Ontario.

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June 1st,
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My dear Mr. Bunt,- RE: JAPANESE GIRLS

I have your letter of May 30th about the possibility of Canadian born Japanese girls coming to positions as domestics in Ontario homes. Unfortunately, we have not yet got the permission of the Toronto Council to bring these girls here. However, we are taking a large delegation to the Board of Control to-morrow and I am hopeful that very soon the gates will open in Toronto to receive these girls. I understand that one girl has recently been allowed to come to London and another to Brantford. I met a girl from Shimizu's church when I was speaking to the Hamilton Conference last week who has been with a Mrs. Gardiner, an old friend of mine, for some weeks. She is a very bright, attractive young woman. I hope you will be able to hold these United Church girls until you hear from me. I had heard that the Y.W.C.A. representative had been sent to Vancouver but I share with you the desire of having the United Church girls from our Japanese congregations in Vancouver in United Church homes in Ontario. We are pushing this thing as fast as we can.

You will have perhaps heard that the first quarter of the men from Schreiber went on Friday to the sugar beet locality in South-western Ontario. I hope the extra two hundred men which the Ontario Government wants for this area will be made available for them at the earliest possible moment.

Dorey is going directly from Winnipeg to Ottawa, where I am to meet him on Wednesday morning in connection with the giving up of an Indian Residential School or Schools to house some Japanese from the Coast. The Government seems set upon it, although the details of the arrangement have as yet to be completed. You will probably get the details of the matter as soon as we do.

Very sincerely yours,

Cochrane

EWS

who is quite evidently a gentleman of Hebrew extraction. I have no reason to believe that he is anything but an honourable citizen. He writes from his business office that he wants a Japanese girl as a domestic and says that his home is located in a certain section of the city. Now before we of The United Church could send forward his name as an individual to whom a girl might be sent, we should have to make an investigation. We have not the organization, nor the technique, but the Employment Service of Canada certainly has. On the other hand, we have a number of letters from our ministers and that is quite another matter.

I think I have said enough to indicate first what I have in mind and second, why the Employment Service of Canada should be somewhere in the picture.

Now for one concrete proposal. The Mountain Sanatorium in Hamilton wishes to employ fifteen or twenty girls and they are asking that we pick this number. May I suggest that you get in touch with Miss Hurd and with the Commission. No doubt they will receive a letter from the Mountain Sanatorium. I think if Miss Hurd could find fifteen or twenty of these girls and submit the list to you, then you could approach the Commission with a view to filling the vacancies in Hamilton. I understand that the authorities are ready to allow these girls to come in and we have written to the Churches asking them to make contacts. As I see it, the Church can best assist this movement by giving you the opportunity of submitting the lists to the Commission, and then if you will let us know when they are coming in, preparation can be made to receive them.

Finally, I have asked Mrs. Loveys to arrange for some social life for these girls. This is all a very difficult task but I think it is well worth while. Albright was in last week and I sent you an account of what he said. What we are doing is not very spectacular but I think that it will count for a good deal all the same.

I see by the paper that Mr. Taylor will continue to the end of August. I certainly hope that by that time the whole movement will be completed.

Yours sincerely,

Lou Dooley.

GD/HL

HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

Copy

June 2nd, 1942.

Dr. Fred J. Conboy,
His Worship the Mayor,
City Hall,
Toronto, Ont.

RE: Kosahuro TAKAHASHI (Japanese)
and family, 234 Cottingham St.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 30th ult., in which you enclose copy of communication from Miss Muriel Burritt, 39 Rathnally Ave., complaining that the house at 234 Cottingham St., opposite the High Level Pumping Station, is occupied by Japanese, I wish to advise that the above named with his wife and three children arrived in Toronto from British Columbia on May 6th, 1942, under a special permit issued by the British Columbia Security Committee, and as far as can be learned from the the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, who are fully cognizent of their presence here, there are no restrictions on their place of residence in Toronto providing they comply with the Regulations in force regarding Enemy Aliens and Orientals.

I understand that the family is self-supporting and that the adults have complied with the existing Regulations, and in view of the fact that the circumstances surrounding their presence in Toronto have been fully investigated by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, there does not appear to be any action which this Department can take in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) D. C. Draper.
Chief Constable.

Extract from article in The Toronto Daily Star of June 22, 1942
entitled "R.C.M.P. APPROVE SCHEME TO BRING JAP GIRLS HERE"

Royal Canadian Mounted Police express approval of a scheme to bring Canadian-born Japanese girls to Toronto to work as domestics, a communication to be considered by Board of Control tomorrow reveals. The letter is in reply to a scheme outlined to the Board June 9 by representatives of the United Church, the Church of England, and the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

The delegates proposed to sponsor bringing these girls here "to the extent that they would select homes and select the girls, assuming responsibility for presenting to the British Columbia Security Commission only the names of such girls as had evidenced that they are perfectly loyal to Canadian institutions", says the communication by the Board of Control, which was sent to the R.C.M.P., the Chief Constable and the Toronto District Labor Council for study and comment.

The delegates stated the girls would be paid $25. a month as inexperienced domestics and $35. a month as experienced domestics.

"Please be advised the Commissioner of this force is in entire agreement with the proposal", Superintendent V.A.M.Kemp, officer commanding "O" xivision, R.C.M.P. writes the Board, "and further advises he sees no objection whatever to the scheme working out to the mutual advantage of all concerned".

"It is suggested, therefore, that you should get in touch with Major Austin Taylor, Chairman of the British Columbia Security Commission, Vancouv er, B.C., without delay", Superintendent Kemp states.

J. W. Buckley, Secretary of the Toronto District Trades and Labor Council states the proposals were debated at great length at the last meeting of the Council, and having in mind the seriousness of the war the Council decided that:

"We feel compelled to say by a majority decision of the delegates, that we cannot concur in the recommendation to allow Japanese domestic help to be employed in homes in the city of Toronto".

REV. A. LLOYD SMITH, D.D.
CHAIRMAN

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The United Church of Canada

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VIA AIR MAIL

June 16th, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Japanese Domestics.

Dear Mr.Bunt:-

I have your letter of June 13th. May I first of all reply to it. Like yourself we are somewhat puzzled by the amount of red tape which seems to be necessary to get anything done. So far as the Employment Service of Canada is concerned, you will remember that the last day we saw Grant McNeill, he mentioned that so far as possible placement should be made through this Employment Service and I promised to relay this information to the Woman's Missionary Society. As I understand it, there are certain things that must be guarded against. For example, the place of employment of these girls must be carefully inspected. Secondly, there must be provision for replacement if the first proves unsatisfactory, and what to my mind is probably the most important thing, is that they must be protected from exploitation both from the point of view of their own interest and in order that the experiment may be a success. One of the complaints that has been made against Japanese is that they depress the labour market. I am quite sure that they don't want to do that, but you can readily understand that in days of turmoil such as we are passing through, there will be unscrupulous people who will pay these girls less than the going wage with the hope and expectation that rather than be thrown on the street, they will accept what is offered. This is normally true of all labour but at the present time there is such a tremendous demand that exploitation is rather difficult. However, you will realize that there is no demand for the Japanese and there is a real danger that they would be exploited. The best safeguard against this would be that their placement should be supervised by the Employment Service of Canada. Of course, I am not thinking of those who will be placed in Christian homes by the Woman's Missionary Society or in such places as Albert College, although I am not quite so sure that even this institution is immune from the danger of paying as little as possible. That is the reason why I have been writing about this Employment Service of Canada.

Of course, the Church can do a tremendous amount in preparing for the reception of these girls and, what is perhaps more important, watching over them and giving them the opportunity for social contacts in our communities.

I think one of the best steps you might take would be to confer with Grant McNeill about this Employment Service, reminding him of his conversation with me. Of course, I do not know what Miss Kaufman had to do with the girls who went to Albert College, because I know nothing about the negotiations other than what you mentioned to me in Vancouver.

Just to illustrate the difficulties that we have had to face, I have a number of letters that have come wanting a girl as a domestic. Dr. Cochrane received some publicity due to the fact that he interviewed the City Council. Consequently here, for example, is a letter from one S. Shapiro

HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

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VIA AIR MAIL

June 11th, 1942.

Rev. W.P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Japanese.

Dear Mr.Bunt:

This morning the radio announced that seven Japanese girls were coming to work in Albert College, Belleville. I don't know anything about the basis on which they were sent, but I have been wondering whether the Employment Service of Canada has anything to do with them. I think I have already mentioned that it is my opinion that they should be consulted because nobody knows whether they will not have to be placed somewhere else, or whether the wages which are being offered are satisfactory. About the worst thing that could happen to this whole movement would be for any individual or institution to pay these girls anything less than obtains in the community where they are serving. The only way in which one can be protected against that is by letting the actual movement be handled by the Employment Service. At the same time the Church will do all it can to facilitate the movement and to make life happy for these girls when they come.

I have a strange request today--that is, to try to find a young Japanese woman who could do housework and who could also drive a car. She would be employed in the home of Dr. Dickinson at Port Hope who is the father-in-law of one of our ministers. If you know or can find any young woman of that calibre, would you send us word air mail. She should, of course, be a member of The United Church, and born in Canada. If you can help us out to this extent, we shall be grateful.

Yours sincerely,

Geo Dorey

GD/HL

June 13, 1942.

Rev. George Dorey, D.D.,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Dr. Dorey: Re. Japanese Domestics

In reply to your letter of the 11th. inst. I want to say that I would like some clarification on the actual details which would be entailled in the process of "letting the actual movement be handled by the Employment Service of Canada." Frankly, I am dizzy over the mass of red tape which seems to be necessary if we want to get anything worth-while done for our Japanese.

After we had everything which seemed necessary well in hand toward sending these girls to Albert College, this Miss Kaufmann came into the picture telling me that "we" had another girl which "they" wanted to have sent as the big sister of the group. Now who she meant by "we", I don't know, but I must confess that while I was polite, I was not very patient as she cornered me just at a time when there was considerable upset re getting some of the pastors away.

Miss Hurd has been doing the actual enrolling of these young women, and when everything is ready, she submits the list to me, and then I make the approaches to the Commission. Following the sending of these girls to Bellville I received a letter from Grant Macneill, the last paragraph of which reads:

"I appreciate very much the interest you have taken in placing these girls in the East, and the fact that they would be in an environment where theynwill be made welcome should do much toward making them very happy in their new life. It is to be hoped that the successful placement of these young women will encourage a further exodus to the East as the opportunities open up."

Will you write me, giving the practical steps to be taken toward making effective the suggestions in the latter part of the first paragraph of your letter above referred to. Naturally, I want to do things the right way; but I am confused.

Most sincerely,

W.P.B.

May 7th 1943

Mr. Bell,
Bursar, Homewood Sanitarium,
Quelph, Ont.

Dear Mr. Bell:

In conversation with Mrs. Booth at the B.C.Security Commission, I have learned that the Homewood Sanitarium is receiving the utmost consideration in the matter of the securing of some Japanese young ladies for kitchen and dining room help. Perhaps Mrs. Booth has told you that she comes from Quelph and so knowsthe situation at Homewood quite well. She hopes that within two or three weeks they might have four girls available for Homewood and I presume she will notify you just as soon as she has something definite to report.

In the matter of the girls fitting into your community life within Homewood, she does not think there ought to be any serious difficulty, but asks that if you folk there have any fears along that line, you communicate them to her well ahead of the time that they would send the girls East. I might add that little or no response is being given by the Japanese regarding requests for them to go to Eastern Canada.

In closing, let me say how much I appreciated seeing at least a part of your Institution and more particularly of meeting you and the doctors on the staff.

With kindest regards,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

HOME... SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)
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Gladys M. Larke
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Wall Street United Church

Rev. R. D. Smith, B.A., B.D.
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Mr. W. T. Rogers
Recording Steward
Box 20 Brockville

Brockville, Ont., March 26th 1943.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A.,B.D.,
Superintendant of Home Missions,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Bunt,

Our local General Hospital is in need of help and are wondering if it would be possible to secure four Japanese girls. The secretary of the Hospital has written to the government official and asked me if I would write to you setting forth the needs of the hospital and the great desire to secure if possible these girls. We have a Military Camp and the wages they pay have cleaned up every available girl with the result that the hospital is in dire need.

I am sure that if these girls could be sent they would be well looked after. The hospital is a fine Hospital of about 100 beds.

Thanking you for any help you might give us,

I remain,

Sincerely,

R. D. Smith

HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)
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March 31st 1943

Rev. R.D. Smith,
Wall Street United Church,
21 Pine Street,
Brockville, Ont.

Dear Mr Smith:

This will acknowledge receipt of yours of the 26th inst., addressed to Mr. Bunt. He is at present in Toronto attending the meetings of the Home Mission Board, and will not be back until about the last week in April.

Re obtaining Japanese help for your local hospital, I understand that applications of this kind must now go through Mr.G.E.Trueman, the re-location officer in Ontario. I presume this is the government official you refer to in your letter. I don't know that much can be done from this end, but I have been speaking to Rev. W.R.McWilliams, who is our missionary in one of the large evacuation centres here in B.C., and he suggests that you send full particulars of what the duties would be, hours of work, and time off, salaries, living conditions, and also what the general attitude of the citizens of Brockville is toward Japanese girls being employed by the hospital. He says if he had full particulars he would be in a position to speak to any girls whom he might think suitable for that work.

Regretting that I cannot give you more encouraging reports on this matter,

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Office Secretary.

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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)
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May 7th 1943

Rev. R.D. Smith,
21 Pine Street,
Brockville, Ont.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Having been away for over a month, your letter of March 26th was very late in coming into my possession.

Allthat I can add further to what my secretary wrote you on March 31st, is that the Security Commission is doing its utmost to secure some Japanese girls for the Brockville Hospital and no doubt when they are able to report progress will write the Secretary thereof.

I beg to remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

HOME [illegible] SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

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March 19th 1943

Rev. Bert Howard, D.D.,
Principal, Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Howard:

Replying to your letter of the 2nd I find on making enquiry that Mr. Trueman, the re-location Officer appointed by Ottawa, is the man with whom you will now deal in so far as securing further Japanese help is concerned. You will therefore get in touch with him as soon as you can conveniently do so.

I am sorry the girls you had, decided that they wanted to change and I think that they will probably regret having made such a decision, as I am quite sure that the conditions under which they work at Albert College will not likely be duplicated elsewhere. However one cannot compel these young women to do other than make their own voluntary choices.

With kindest regards,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

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REV. BERT HOWARD, D.D., PRINCIPAL

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T. K. FRANKLIN, REGISTRAR

March 2nd, 1943.

Dr. W. P. Bunt,
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.,
207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Dr. Bunt:

January 22nd I wrote you re the matter of our Japanese girls, and we received your reply January 26th.

On that date, I called into my office the girls and made known unto them your findings. We chatted about the renewal of the contract but they requested two or three weeks to think the matter over. Some had relatives in the East that they felt they would like to be with; one was engaged to be married and wished to find out more about the prospects of marriage.

I stated that we would meet again early in March and they could then give me their decision. This meeting was held this morning and they all felt that they would like to leave. As far as they are concerned, I presume, the next move is up to them as they negotiate with the Security Commission. I confess their decision took me by surprise for we were giving them reasonably ample holidays at Christmas seven days each and Easter the same with pay, and a few week-ends, also two weeks in the summer with full pay. But I presume they would like to rejoin their friends.

This will leave us entirely without a kitchen and dining room staff and in quite a serious position, and we would appreciate all the assistance you can give us in re staffing our school. What hope do you think you may hold out for us?

In brief the proposition and need is as follows;

Need - one assistant cook; four kitchen maids; two dining room maids.
Salary- Assistant cook $35.00 per month
Maids $27.50 per month, plus room and board and with the following addition-

Two or three hours off each afternoon, every evening free at close of work which is approximately 7:30 to 8:00 P.M. One full afternoon and evening each week. During the summer months their work is quite light because there are no students here and they assist with canning and pickling when the seasons arrive.

They also receive seven days holiday at Christmas with full pay and four days each at Easter with full pay, and in addition two weeks holiday with full pay in the summer.

March 2nd, 1943.

We feel that the above is very generous and should be exceedingly attractive when it is combined with the best of working conditions and under as near ideal circumstances as one could hope for.

We would deeply appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Bert Howard.

BH/HMB

Principal.

The girls contract expires June 30th we could take the new stagg any time in July or if this is not possible then in June.

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January 22, 1943.

Dr. W. P. Bunt,
207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Dr. Bunt:

I would like a little information concerning our Japanese girls. First, might I add that we are very pleased with their work, attitude, and life with us. We could not wish for happier relationships and finer co-operation.

It is about this coming year that I am concerned. Could you enlighten me as to the length of time that the girls will be with us.

In my letter to Major Austin Taylor, I stated - "Albert College will be willing to take for a year or for the "Duration" six Japanese girls and a senior, etc." Prior to the arrival of the girls, no word was received as to whether they were to come for a year or the duration. And on arrival and up to now nothing has been said. But in the Fall, the girls felt that they would like some written and signed agreement re what they might expect, so they each signed a contract which expires June 30th. The question that I would like cleared up is this - Are these girls to stay for the duration, or can they leave June 30th?

If they are to stay for the duration, it will suit us splendidly, but if they can leave us if they so desire, then we must think and plan about the coming year, and the possibility of securing more Japanese girls from Vancouver.

I have not, as yet said anything to the girls as I felt it would be wiser to find out what term conditions governed their coming to us. We would very greatly appreciate word from you re this or authoritative word from the department as to the terms of employment.

Kindly accept our deep appreciation for all the courtesies you have shown us, and the many kindnesses extended to us.

Kindest personal regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Bert B. Howard.

Principal.

BH/HMB

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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

January 26th 1943

Rev. Bert Howard, D.D.,
Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Howard,

Replying to your letter of the 22nd, I wish to advise that legally the Japanese girls who are working for you in the College are free agents and if they so wish can make other arrangements after the expiration of their contract with you. At the same time, they cannot leave the College to work elsewhere, without the consent of the Secutiry Commission, and unless they are going to another position which has been approved by the Commission they cannot leave the College at all. My suggestion would be that you go into the matter of a renewal of their contract at an early date, and in that way you will know whether or not they are willing to stay with you for another year. Even if the war should end within the year, I do not think there would be any opportunity for them to return to British Columbia within that time.

From reports which have reached me, these girls are quite happy in Belleville, and the only thing which might make them a bit happier, so I am told, would be the sending of a number of nice young Japanese boys to work somehere in Belleville so that they might enjoy a bit of social life with those of their own kind.

I think this will clear up the questions which you ask. I am very glad to know that you are so well pleased with the girls, which is what I fully expected to hear from you.

With kindest personal regards,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

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September 18th 1942

Rev. George Dorey, D.D.,
299 Queen Street W.,
Toronto (2) Ont.

Dear Dr. Dorey,

Re Japanese and Eastern Positions

Your letter of the 17th just to hand, and in order to make sure that my own information was correct I again checked with Mrs. Booth of the B.C.Security Commission and in brief sentences here are the facts: At the present moment there are no Japanese girls ready to take positions in Ontario. The Security Commission will not consider the application of the Sanitorium in Hamilton at all, because it is a Tb.Institution and the Japanese are very susceptible to that disease. Mr. Barclay of the Belleville Hospital has not replied to Mrs. Booth's letter, giving specific assurance regarding salaries etc. Since 'phoning the Security Commission a few days ago informing them of what the Belleville Hospital requires, they have sent out word to the various Interior projects to see if they can secure girls who will go to Belleville. If only two or three respond, the Security Commission will communicate either with me or with Belleville Hospital, to see if they are prepared to take a smaller number than they have asked for. Miss Hurd, when last discussing this problem with me just a day or two ago also said that there are no young women that she knows of willing to go to such positions. Mrs. Booth of the Security Commission also informed me that only one Anglican girl has responded to the application for girls to take positions in eastern Canada, and that allthe rest which have gone have been provided by the United Church. Just where Mr. Rae got the impression that there are large numbers of them ready to go, I do not know and certainly the facts as I have given them to you do not substantiate his statements.

Yours most sincerely,

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September 18th 1942

Rev. James Semple, S.T.D.,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Semple,

Your telegram was telephoned to me last night at ten o'clock and delivered to my office this morning. There seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the scheme to send Japanese girls to positions in eastern Canada, and I refer in particular to the fact that at the present moment there are none of them willing to go, and you will understand that they cannot be compelled to do so. For some weeks we have been trying to secure these young women for positions in the east, both in private homes and institutions, but without success. The main reason is that so long as there is a reasonable hope of the Japanese families be re-established as units, the girls will not consent to be sent east, and I think their parents are even more opposed to the scheme. You will know too, that a very serious effort is now being put forth by the Security Commission to re-unite the families in communities outside of the protected area. That, in a word is the situation, and until such time as these young women are ready and willing to take these positions there is nothing we as a Church can do to speed things up.

Referring particularly to the request of the Belleville Hospital for a number of these young women, I have discussed their application with the B.C.Security Commission, and I was informed that a letter written to Mr. Barclay some time ago by Mrs. Booth, who handles this phase of the Commission's responsibilities, has not yet been acknowledged. She wrote asking a number of questions, including the salaries the hospital was prepared to pay and until she gets a reply from Mr. Barclay along that line I doubt if she will concern herself very greatly about the application from the hospital for these young women. Mr. Barclay has written me and Miss Hurd of our W.M.S. Staff, but he has not written in reply to Mrs. Booth's letter. In a wire to Rev. Hugh Rae a few days ago, I informed him that the Commission will not give an consideration to sending girls for less than a minimum of $25.00 a month for inexperienced help and $30.00 for more experienced young women. I also mentioned to him that while the Japanese women were not offering for eastern positions, yet, there might be a possibility of getting a group which would be living and working together to agree to go. Once these matters have been clarified something may be done, but if you know anything about Japanese, you will know that they don't make such decisions very quickly.

I presume the Commission will have to decide which applications for such help will be first considered once they get a number of young women who are willing to accept the positions.

These are a few of the phases of the problem which I think you should know, and I would be glad to have you state the gist of this letter to the officials of the Hospital Board.

With kind regards, I remain,

WPB/AM

Yours most sincerely,

Hon. T. Reid Superintendent (Bunt)

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September 16th 1942

Mrs. Booth,
c/o B.C.Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mrs. Booth,

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the letter written by the Administrator of the Belleville General Hospital, in which certain details are given regarding the situation and circumstances in which the Japanese girls would be working if they agree to employment by that Institution.

As stated in my conversation I am wiring our Rev. Mr. Rae now in Belleville, that he may acquaint the hospital authorities with the situation re salaries.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Superintendent of Home Missions.

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Belleville General Hospital

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO
CANADA

J. G. BARCLAY,
ADMINISTRATOR

September 16th, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Board of Governors was held in the Board Room of the hospital on Tuesday Evening, June 23rd, 1942, at 8 o'clock p.m.

The subject re: Japanese (female) help was discussed and the following resolution regarding Japanese girls for hospital maids, diet kitchen help etc was brought forth. It was moved by Dr. Morton, and seconded by Mr. Jewell, that the Administrator be allowed to employ and engage Japanese female help if needed, after it is passed by the Women's Christian Association, and he has personally consulted the heads of the department under which they are to work.

J. G. Barclay.

J. G. BARCLAY,
~~Secretary~~, Board of Governors,
BELLEVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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certain information re wages. If you cannot or have not been able to do something immediate, please write Mr. Barclay as soon as possible. Until they hear from you they are keeping the places open.

Enclosed copy of H.M.B resolution re Japanese.

Conference impressive — it may not be a Great Council but it is significant in that it turns down reports of Commissions!

Yours at the ice cream table with Andrew Roddan, Wm Scott of Korea & Mr. Barclay.

W. M. Rae

HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

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The Women's Christian Association
OF THE
City of Belleville (Inc.)

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO
CANADA

An Executive meeting of the Women's Christian Association was held at my home on the 24th. of July at which a resolution was passed to sanction the hiring of Japanese female help for the Belleville General Hospital

President Robina Abrams.

Dear. W. P. B

The above & enclosed indicate that the way is open to receive more Japanese help in Belleville — This Hospital is under the Christian Women of this place. The quarters are ideal, & I believe you have

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J. G. BARCLAY,
ADMINISTRATOR

August 5th, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
Superintendent of Missions,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I am writing you regarding our decision here at this hospital to employ six Japanese girls as maids.

It has indeed been a pleasure to meet with Dr. Howard of Albert College, and I assure you he has given my Board and myself every confidence in these girls.

We have a section in the hospital entirely finished with a sitting-room attached which we intend using for these girls.

We do think that you are the proper official to contact and we would be deeply indebted if you would write us as soon as possible after you have considered the following facts, which we believe will give you a proper prospective of our case.

1. We will need six girls age 18 years to 30, of Protestant Faith and of good character.

2. The work would be in the Housekeeping and Dietary departments.

3. We do not believe that they would need a leader as Miss Thompson, our Director of Nurses has had a great deal of experience with Japanese nurses at Lamonte, Alberta where she was Instructor for five years.

Belleville General Hospital

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J. G. BARCLAY,
ADMINISTRATOR

4. This question has been discussed and passed by the Board of our hospital and as you already know, the City of Belleville is in full accord with this effort.

5. We believe that these girls would very soon pick up our routine as they would be directly under the heads of these departments.

6. We would be glad to pay them from $20.00 to $25.00 per month with maintenance.

7. We are interested in having them here to arrive Monday, August 31st.

We will await your reply and in closing I would like to further say that if the group materializes I will try to arrange meetings between this group and the one at Albert College which I am sure will be of mutual benefit to all concerned.

May I thank you in advance for your time and assistance in this effort, and you may write Dr. Howard for any references regarding this case as he is well known to our institution.

Yours very truly,

J. G. BARCLAY,
Administrator,
BELLEVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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August 14th, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
Superintendent of Home Missions,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We received your recent letter written by Miss Agnes Murray and wish to thank you for your prompt reply. However, we further wish to say that the date of school opening has been changed in Belleville, and the need for this help is not as urgent as we first thought.

You may therefore consider, that if the girls could arrive on September 15th it would be quite in order with us, and in fact it would suit us much better, since September 1st is a very busy time with us as we take in the new class of nurses on that date each year.

We will await your other letters and will be anxious to get the final arrangements made.

Yours very truly,

J. G. Barclay.

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Administrator,
BELLEVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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August 19th 1942

Mr. J.G.Barclay,
Belville General Hospital,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Mr. Barclay,

In reply to yours of the 14th inst, re Japanese domestics, I regret to say that there seems to be no likelihood of our being able to secure any more Japanese young women for the present at any rate. The whole process of evacuation of the Japanese, while it is doubtless moving towards a conclusion, is still in a very unsettled condition, and as some reasonable hope has been given toward the re-establishing of the Japanese families, it would seem that the girls, and even more so, the parents,are giving no consideration at all to the opportunity of securing employment as domestic servants. Your request will be kept before us and if there is a change in the attitude of the Japanese, and young women become available for employment, I shall again get in touch with you.

Yours very truly,

WPB/AM

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August 7th 1942

Mr. J.G. Barkay,
Administrator,
Belleville General Hospital,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th inst. I regret Mr. Bunt is at present out of the city. I have however communicated your desire to the W.M.S. worker of our Church who looks after this section of the work, and she has taken the particulars of the girls required. Of course the Security Commission has to be consulted, and they have certain rules and regulations regarding working conditions and salaries, which have to be complied with. I think they insist on $25.00 per month as the minimum. However, you will likely hear from them direct in due course.

Your letter will be before Mr. Bunt on his return to the city about the middle of the month, and will have his personal attention.

Yours sincerely,

Office Secretary.

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June 29, 1942.

Rev. George Dorey, D.D., Associate Secretary,
Board of Home Missions, United Church of Canada,
299 Queen St. W.,
TORONTO 2, Ontario.

Dear Doctor Dorey:

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VIA AIR MAIL

July 8th, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B. A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Japanese.

Dear Mr.Bunt:-

In spite of the telegram which you sent me the other day saying that no more girls are coming, I am enclosing a copy of a letter which came from Mr. Bartholomew about the same time. He was on the phone the day before yesterday after he had received my letter telling him that no more girls were coming and wondered whether it would not be possible to get a group recruited if they knew they would all be together in the kind of work they were doing there. I am therefore sending you a copy of his letter not with any expectation of great results but simply to let you know what is involved.

Yours sincerely,

Geo. Dorey.

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(Signed) W. BARTHOLOMEW,

BUSINESS MANAGER

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We have completed arrangements to employ these girls as follows:

6 Laundry - four to work as folders, shakers and possibly ironers; and two to work on sewing machines doing repair work to linen, if such girls can be obtained.

5 Housekeeping Maids - to work in Nurses' Residences.

10 Maids - to work in Diet Kitchen on general work such as washing dishes, etc.

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We hope it is not too late to increase the number of girls, we could use the above number.

Yours very truly,

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AIR MAIL

Rev. W. P. Bunt,
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver.

Dear Mr. Bunt,-

I beg to enclose co y of a letter which has come to-day from the Mountain Sanitarium. I thought that you should have this.

Yours sincerely,

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obtained on this basis and now they are turning to the family proposition. The first question that has agitated the minds of those that are working in Ontario is that they be given first consideration in the re-establishment of family life. I think this will be done but unfortunately, there is nobody in Ottawa or in British Columbia who is definitely charged with the responsibility of working out a reasonable policy. Perhaps there is no way of getting this but it is certainly complicating matters. For example, there is no one man charged with the responsibility of saying that the first families to be placed on Ontario farms will first of all be those families from which these young fellows in the beet industry have been taken. If they would do that, they would make a good start. There would be one member of the family who knew the ropes.

Another difficulty may be illustrated by the fact that Dr.Hodgins came down here and found that there was a great shortage of labour and immediately told the Department of Labour here in Ontario that they ought to place one thousand Japanese families. He based his idea on the fact that he had driven to his home over the weekend and had found that there were literally hundreds of abandoned and vacant farm houses, and each could house a Japanese family. No doubt that is true but it would mean that they would be on the dole and you have to sell the idea to the communities. I understand that Mead was very much more cautious. Anyway, that illustrates some of the things we have to face because the one thousand family business got into the paper. Further, the Department of Labour got the idea that they could place one thousand families and cancelled the plan for taking over the residential schools.

There is one other matter and that is we should like to know immediately if possible, what Mr. McWilliams'plans are, that is, what has happened to the Spanish 'prisoner' proposition. That seems to be about the only way I can describe it because it reminds me altogether too much of the old gag of the Spanish prisoner who could be released on a ransom if somebody would find the money. It is altogether likely that Albright will ask to be released at the end of July and we want some one to come down to Ontario, particularly if we are going to have a couple of hundred families.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Geo Dorey

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GEORGE DOREY.

I have been asked by Dr Jerome Davis of World's Committee of the Y.M.C.A.,acting as the head of The War Prisoners' Aid of the Y.M.C.A., to go to Vancouver to secure books in Japanese to make a library for the Internees in Ontario. I am waiting until I finish my boys camp next week. I hope you will grant me a leave of absence from Kaslo for about 10 days to do the job. I will of course everything here in shape, so that things go on without trouble during my absence. I am very glad if I can go, because then, I can talk over the matter of our work here more at length, and also explain to the people left in Vancouver about their evacuation. I will appreciate very much if you will wire me your approval.

Hoping to see you soon, I remain

Your humble servant in Christ,

Sent telegram Aug. 17./42. W.P.B.

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P.O. Box 495,
Kaslo, B.C.,
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Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Bunt:

I have yours of July 7th, in which you mention about girls going to work at "a Sanatorium in Hamilton, Ontario." I brought the matter up at the "House Representatives Meeting" which is being held every Friday in order to take up all questions relative to the Community. Some were definitely interested, but wanted to know more about it. How old the girls ought to be? What kind of work is it--is it cleaning, nurses' help, or laundry? What education is necessary? It it a T.B. Sanatorium? I shall appreciate it very much if you can enlighten us on these points.

This is Cherry Time in Kaslo. This year, the weather has not been favourable, and the quality of cherries and the crop have not been to the standard, they say, yet these are beautiful cherries. I had a crate sent to you last Saturday. I heard since from Mrs. Komiyama that you and your family are away on summer hiliday for a month, and I am wondering what will happen to the cherries. I hope they will reach you somehow, somewhere before they get spoiled.

I have been asked by Dr Jerome Davis of World's Committee of the Y.M.C.A.,acting as the head of The War Prisoners' Aid of the Y.M.C.A., to go to Vancouver to secure books in Japanese to make a library for the Internees in Ontario. I am waiting until I finish my boys camp next week. I hope you will grant me a leave of absence from Kaslo for about 10 days to do the job. I will of course everything here in shape, so that things go on without trouble during my absence. I am very glad if I can go, because then, I can talk over the matter of our work here more at length, and also explain to the people left in Vancouver about their evacuation. I will appreciate very much if you will wire me your approval.

Hoping to see you soon, I remain

Your humble servant in Christ,

Kashima

Sent telegram
Aug. 12./42.
W.P.B.

HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

August 7th 1942

Rev. K. Shimizu, M.A.,
P.O. Box 495,
Kaslo, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shimizu,

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 30th, received this afternoon. I regret Mr. Bunt is at present out of the city, but I expect he may be in the office on Monday for a short time, and if so, your letter will have his personal attention at that time.

I 'phoned his home, and find that the cherries arrived safely and in good condition, and they are being enjoyed.

With kind regards,

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Office Secretary.

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HOME MISSION'S SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

July 7, 1942.

Rev. K. Shimizu,
Box 495,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shimizu:

We have had a great many applications for Japanese girls to go to Ontario as domestics and there is a request for about Twenty for a Sanatarium in Hamilton, Ontario, which is offering $30.00 a month together with board and laundry and good accommodation.

Miss Hurd informs me that there are no more among those in Vancouver who are willing to go, and Dr. Dorey has written asking if there might be among those who have gone to the "ghost towns" some who would be willing to go to these positions in the East. If you have any information along this line I would be glad to hear from you as soon as possible.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/HCR.

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May 30th 1942

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Rev. W.P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

June 10th,
1942.

My dear Mr. Bunt,- Re: Japanese Girls

I have no word yet from the Mayor or Council about letting the Japanese girls come in to Toronto. Of course, some opposition has developed and it is evident there is going to be some more "pussy-footing" about the matter. The whole thing disgusts me!

Very sincerely yours,

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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

Board of Home Missions

May 30th 1942

Rev. R.B. Cochrane, D.D.,
299 Queen Street W.,
Toronto (2) Ont.

Dear Dr. Cochrane,

In a recent letter you suggested that a number of our United Church girls might be placed in the homes of our people as domestics in Ontario, and you also mentioned the possibility of a number of them going to a Sanitarium at Hamilton. We have already enrolled a number of girls who would be suitable for such positions, and if we are unable to place these girls in the near future, the chances are that they will accept openings under the Y.W.C.A., which has sent a representative here to Vancouver to head up this sort of thing. Personally, I would like to see our Church place the young women from our United Church families, and so if you have any definite openings for such helpers and if the way is clear for their going to the various communities where they are wanted, would you let me know by return air mail.

Thanking you,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

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July 4th, 1942.

VIA AIR MAIL

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Japanese.

Dear Mr.Bunt:-

I have your wire saying that after the six girls who are going to Hamilton, no more will be available. I also note the reasons which you give, which seem to be quite logical. I wonder whether it would not be possible to get some girls who have gone to the ghost towns. Of course, these may not be of the right age, and the same unwillingness to come East may operate in their case, namely, that they are waiting for their parents. However, I thought I should mention this. I am very sorry we are having all this trouble, which is due to the fact that the Government (and I mean by that, the Ministers of the Crown), have no policy in regard to this Japanese evacuation.

Yours sincerely,

Geo Dorey.

GD/HL

families is probable it is apparent that the families which are still intact are going to remain that way. Miss Hurd is inclined to think that the parents have largely been responsible for this change in the attitude of the girls.

Six young women have left or are leaving this week, two of whom are going to Mrs. Stevens of the W. M. S. and Miss Hurd told me she has been unable to find any more who are willing to go. The same is true in respect of Mrs. Booth, Security Commission Office.

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July 3, 1942.

Rev. George Dorey, D. D.,
299 West Queen Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Re: JAPANESE.

Dear Dr. Dorey:

Yesterday I wired you as follows:

"AFTER SIX GIRLS LEAVING FOR HOMES HAMILTON NO MORE JAPANESE DOMESTICS AVAILABLE STOP GIRLS UNWILLINGGO POSSIBLY PARENTS CHIEF OBSTACLE SINCE POSSIBILITY EVACUATION AS FAMILIES HAS BEEN GIVEN PUBLICITY STOP NEITHER MISS HURD OR COMMISSION OFFICES HAS LIST OF GIRLS WILLING GO AS DOMESTICS STOP MAY CHANGE THEIR MINDS LATER."

There is not much that I can add to the wire other than to amplify it a little bit. In conversation with Miss Hurd I find that a willingness on the part of Japanese girls to serve as domestics has apparently disappeared and in the wire I suggested one reason for that development.

As you know the Japanese are great family people and now that there is a rumour going around that evacuation by families is probable it is apparent that the families which are still intact are going to remain that way. Miss Hurd is inclined to think that the parents have largely been responsible for this change in the attitude of the girls.

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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

After all the effort that has been put forth by both the W. M. S. and our Board it gives one sort of a feeling of being let down and I told Miss Hurd that I thought the young ladies would probably regret their decision not to avail themselves of such openings as we have tried to find them.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Most sincerely yours.

WPB/HCR.

P. S. I had a very nice card from the girls who went to Albert College thanking me for what the United Church had done for them in securing positions for them.

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JULY 2, 1942.

REV. GEORGE DOREY,
200 QUEEN STREET, WEST,
TORONTO, ONT.

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W. P. BUNT.

Charge Rev. W. P. Bunt,
Supt. of Missions,
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

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June 19th 1942

Rev. Bert Howard, D.D.,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Howard,

I am glad to know that the girls arrived safely and that your first impressions are good. I feel quite sure that once the girls get settled, they will give satisfaction.

You ask about the procedure necessary for some of the Belleville folk to secure Japanese girls as maids, and if there might be more who are willing to accept such positions. I think probably there are, but naturally there are a number of things which would have to be guaranteed. Among these would be the character of the people and of the home where they would work; Another, the assurance that in no way would the unhappy situation in which these girls find themselves be exploited by their employers; Another, that the requirements of the Employment Service of Canada be met in all particulars. Some of the above guarantees could probably be given us by you or by ministers of our church in Belleville. I think the first step would be to send me a list of such homes as are approved according to the above suggestions and then I would ask Miss Hurd to go into the matter of finding the girls who would be suitable and willing to go. Having done that I would take both the list of homes and the names of the girls to the Security Commission here and ask that they be transferred to Belleville, Ont. Prior to their going, the requirements of the Employment Service of Canada would have to be met, and that would necessitate a statement in writing from each of the prospective employers as to wages to be paid, hours of work etc.

Trusting that I may be of further service in this matter,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

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207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

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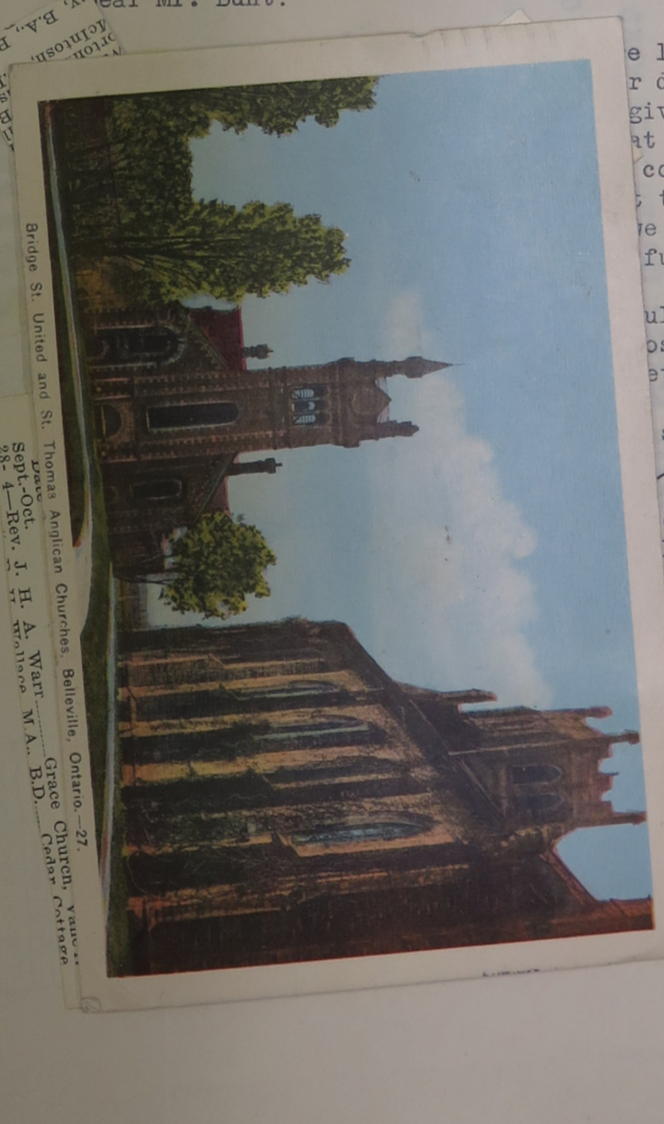
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Dear Rev. Bunt,
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are both very kind to us
and we know our stay here
will be enjoyable. Belleville
is a lovely city. The climate at
present is so much like Vancouver's.
Yours sincerely,
Ina Gibson.

Rev. W. P. Bunt,
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207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Bunt:

Girls arrived safely and are looking over their home and finding out a little of their duties. They were a very happy and congenial group and give splendid promise for the future. We sincerely trust that as they become more used to their home, they will be come more satisfied, and they we shall have a very pleasant time. We wish to advise you that you may rest assured we are entirely satisfied. We shall be advising you further.

A number of our residents would like to secure girls as maids in their homes, is it possible for any more to come? Kindly let us know by return. also procedure necessary etc.

Yours very sincerely,

Bert Howard.

Principal.

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May 29, 1942.

REV BERT HOWARD ALBERT COLLEGE BELLVILLE ONTARIO

IS WAY CLEAR SEND SEVEN JAPANESE GIRLS REQUESTED FOR COLLEGE STOP OPENINGS ELSEWHERE IN ONTARIO AVAILABLE AND GIRLS INCLINED TO ACCEPT WHILE OFFERS HOLD STOP THESE PLACEMENTS WOULD BE THROUGH ORGANIZATIONS OTHER THAN OUR CHURCH AND WE ANXIOUS PLACE UNITED CHURCH GIRLS STOP REQUEST IMMEDIATE WIRE

W.P. BUNT

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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

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June 2nd, 1942.

Rev. Bert Howard,
Principal, Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Howard,

Upon receipt of your wire, I immediately got busy and we have applied to the Security Committee for permission for the following young ladies to leave here within the next week and travel to Belleville, Ont.

1. Teiko Ide — Age 24
2. Jean Ito — " 23
3. Norine A. Ito — " 19
4. Sumiko Iwamoto — " 22
5. Koto Yatabe — Age - 22
6. Natsuko Marion Kanitomo — " 21
7. Kyoko Hamaguchi

From what Miss Howard tells me, I am confident that you will be wholly satisfied with these young ladies, and the first one named on the list is the one which will assume the role of "big sister" to the others. She is the oldest member of our Fowell Street Japanese congregation of this city.

Kiyo Ishii

Am I to understand from your telegram that you want the girls to arrive on the 14th inst, and not say, on the 13th or 15th, have we any leeway in the matter at all? Will you meet them in Toronto, or shall we arrange with the C.N.S. to meet the train and guide them over to the train for Belleville? Will you write me by air mail answering these questions as I would like the information before the girls leave here. I shall either wire, or write you by air mail, giving particulars of the date and train upon which they travel.

With good wishes,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

Eiji Yatabe
Phone MA 5651
Home BA 4968R.

for information

June 1st, 1942.

THE LIST OF APPLICANTS FOR DOMESTIC WORK AT ALBERT COLLEGE,

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO.

1. Teiko Ide — 4695 Mc Hardy Street — Dexter 1181-L
Jap. Reg. #04432 — Age - 24

2. Jean Ito — 341 East Hastings Street — PAcific 9195
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Kiyo Ishii — HIghland 3536-R
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	Jap. Reg. #08507	Age - 22	
6. Hatsuko Marion Kunitomo	2145 West 13th Avenue		BAyview 7117-M
	Jap. Reg. #10548	Age - 22	
7. Miyo Ishiwata	743 West 68th Avenue		LAngara 0495-R
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Alternate for Miyo Ishiwata:

Kiyo Ishii	546 Powell Street		HIghland 3536-R
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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

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June 6th 1942

Rev. Bert Howard, D.D.,
Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Howard,

On receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., I got in touch with Miss Hurd regarding the date on which the Japanese girls would leave Vancouver, and I found that as one of them is writing examinations on the 9th, they could not arrange to leave until the 10th.

All arrangements have been completed for them to leave here by C.P.R. train at 7.15 p.m., on Wednesday, June 10th, and that will mean their arrival on the 14th in Belleville. Miss Hurd will write the W.M.S. in Toronto to meet the girls at the station, and to assist them in transferring to the train for Belleville.

Trusting that arrangements will work out satisfactorily, and that you will be well satisfied, as I think you will, with these young ladies.

With kind regards,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

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June 4, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A.,B.D.,
207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Bunt:

Your "Air Mail" letter arrived this morning for which kindly accept our thanks.

This is an experiment which I sincerely trust may turn out successfully to all concerned. I have every reason to believe that the girls will be happy and well cared for. There will be enough of them to form a fellowship of their own which should go a long way towards their own happiness and contentment and the work, while not easy, is most certainly not heavy.

Now as to your question. As set forth in my last "air mail" we let our staff go on June 12th. We would like the girls to arrive if at all possible on the 13th, 14th or 15th.

If they could leave Vancouver June 9th, Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. they would arrive in Belleville Saturday, June 13th at 12:25, this would suit us splendidly. We would appreciate your getting in touch with the W.M.S. in Toronto to greet the girls and assist them to make the change of trains. I will meet them at Belleville, but cannot get down to Toronto.

Should they not be able to leave until Wednesday the 10th, they would not arrive until the 14th ~~or~~ so.on.

Kindly let us know their expected time of arrival here and we shall care for them on arrival.

It is exceedingly kind of you all and I sincerely trust that between us we may do a piece of work worthy of our Great Leader and Friend.

Kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Ber Howard.

Principal.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION
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June 4th 1942

Attention Mr. Grant MacNeil

B.C.Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs,

I have to acknowledge yours of June 3rd regarding the young women whom we are sending to Albert College, Belleville, Ont., and I am glad to note that the necessary permits will be granted.

I have requested Miss Hurd to carry out your instructions regarding their medical examination and their appearance before the Custodian, and she has assured me that this will be taken up forthwith.

Dr. Bert Howard, Principal of Albert College, is anxious to have these girls reach Belleville on either the 13th or 14th of this month.

Yours very sincerely,

Superintendent of Missions.

WPB/AM

Yours very truly,

Grant MacNeil,
Assistant to the Chairman.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

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June 3rd, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt,
807 Dominion Bank Building,
207 West Hastings Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of June 1st, with enclosed list of young women, who have accepted the positions offered by the Albert College, Belleville, Ontario. After the necessary details are completed, Permits will be granted to them to travel on the date selected.

Mrs. Booth will arrange to interview the girls again sometime this week, and they will be advised that it is necessary for them to have Medical Certificates, and to have been checked by the Custodian, before their Permits will be granted.

I appreciate very much the interest you have taken in placing these girls in the East, and the fact that they will be in an environment where they will be made welcome should do much toward making them very happy in their new life. It is to be hoped that the successful placement of these young women will encourage a further exodus to the East as the opportunities open up.

Yours very truly,

Grant MacNeil,
Assistant to the Chairman.

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June 1st 1942

Attention: Mr. F.J.Meade
B.C.Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Albert College, Belleville, Ont., which is an Educational Institution of the United Church of Canada, has applied for seven Japanese girls to assist in the dining hall and Principal's residence. Rev. Dr. Bert Howard, is the Principal, and he has secured the consent of the City Council of Belleville to the bringing of these young women to the College.

As Superintendent of Missions for the United Church in British Columbia, I therefore apply for the necessary permits to enable the following young women to travel from Vancouver to Belleville, Ont. It is expected that they will leave somewhere between the 9th and 12th of this month. It would be appreciated if you would advise me at an early date of the issuance of the documents as requested above.

Thanking you,
I remain,
Yours most sincerely,

Superintendent of Missions.

1. Teiko Ide — 4695 McHardy Street — Dexter 1181L
Jap. Reg.#04432 — Age 24

2. Jean Ito — 341 East Hastings Street — Pacific 9195
Jap.Reg.#10014 — Age 23

3. Norine A. Ito — 341 East Hastings Street — Pacific 9195
Jap.Reg.#10304 — Age 20

4. Sumiko Iwamoto — 2818 Yew Street — Bayview 4968R
Jap. Reg.#10166 — Age 19

5. Koto Yatabe — 2818 Yew Street — Bayview 4968R
Jap.Reg.#08507 — Age 22

6. Hatsuko Marion Kunitomo — 2145 West 13th Avenue — Bayview 7117M
Jap.Reg.#10548 — Age 22

7. Kyoko Hamaguchi — 2332 Alder Avenue, New Westminster — Dexter 0927T
Jap.Reg.#02810 — Age 21

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REV. BERT HOWARD, B.D., PRINCIPAL

Albert College
FOUNDED 1857
"The College with a Purpose"
BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO

Albert College,
Belleville, Ontario.
June 1st, 1942.

Dear Mr. Bunt and Miss Hurd:

A follow up of our wires of Saturday. Our delay in letting you know finally was due to the fact that I was unable to meet with the City Council. They meet Monday twice monthly, the last meeting was cancelled due to it falling on Empire Day, and they do not meet again until June 8th, but they had called an emergency meeting for the 4th in order to meet our request. On receipt of your wire, I set out to visit them individually and get their consent, this was secured in writing under their signatures so now the way is absolutely clear for their coming.

Now a few words with regard to their coming. As stated in my previous letters, we are prepared to pay the six girls $25.00 per month plus Board and Room and $30.00 to the older girl who will act as supervisor and also assistant to the cook, that is why I would like her to have a little knowledge of simple cooking if at all possible. This position has in the past been looked upon by the staff as more authoritative than the others.

Thetype of work for the other six girls, I outlined in my letter of May 18th, it is regular kitchen and dining room work.

We would very much like to have the girls arrive here on the 14th in order to have them start work on the 15th if at all possible. Our present staff leave us on the 12th. Saturday the 13th is somewhat of an easy day as is Sunday the 14th, but we start in again on the 15th and I would like the girls here then. I might add that on the 12th, two thirds of our student body leave for home, so that the girls will have a very easy time until school re-opening next September.

Will either one of you kindly wire us by return as to when we can expect the girls and as to whether or not they can arrive June 13th or 14th.

Kindest personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Bert Howard.

BH/HMB

Principal.

PS Sending a copy to each of you to avoid delay.
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THOS. C. McMULLEN, M.A., PH.D., DEAN
T. K. FRANKLIN, REGISTRAR

May 13, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.
807 Dominion Bank Bldg.,
207 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Dr. Bunt:

Many thanks for your letter and for the thoughtful summing up of the whole matter.

I shall interview the City Council and give you their view on the matter as you request. It was introduced to our Board of Governors at our Semi Annual meeting last week and approved by them.

The salary of $25.00 per month, we are prepared to pay, as you suggest, but we would like a really good type of girl so that the work will be done cheerfully and efficiently. The girls should know the type of work they are expected to do in order that they will not be disappointed on arrival. As to the matter of higher pay for a maturer person to supervise the girls, this we are hardly prepared to meet. Our previous suggestion for such a person was made purely from the standpoint of the girls own well being and happiness in that having one of their own number big sister them would tend to smooth out any problems that might arise.

We feel that $25.00 per month plus room and board is reasonably good pay in view of the fact that skill and training is not called into being. Until just lately the scale of salaries in this area has been for this type of help $18.00 to $20.00 per month. But we realize that due to present shortage of labour $25.00 is necessary.

I shall endeavour to interview the City Council at its first meeting which may not be for a week or perhaps two weeks. On receiving their decision, the same will be sent to you immediately.

Yes, Miss Hurd some years ago was in our home on a number of occasions and we are indebted to her for purchasing for us many interesting miniatures of utensils, etc. of Japan. Kindly give her our kindliest greetings and best wishes, accepting the same yourself.

Yours very sincerely,

Bert Howard

Principal.

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May 11th 1942

Rev. Bert Howard, D.D.,
Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Dr. Howard,

As I have been in close touch with the developments arising out of the evacuation from the coast of the Japanese, Dr. Wilson has turned over your letter to me, that I might reply.

A committee of our W.M.S., has been registering our United Church Japanese girls and women with a view to placing them in positions such as you are offering, and they report to me that there will be no difficulty in securing the number and type of girls for which youwask.

The B.C.Security Commission is prepared to give its consent to our sending these girls east, but before doing so we would want to have definite assurances that the city of Belleville will offer no objections to their coming to live within its boundaries. In other parts of Canada communities have abjected to the Japanese being sent to their towns etc. I think you should definitely go to the City Council of Belleville and secure assurance of permission for these young ladies to come to your college. Will you then advise me by air mail and we can arrange to have them sent shortly afterward.

Miss Helen Hurd, our W.M.S. worker amongst the Japanese in Vancouver, is looking after securing the girls. I think probably you know her. The feeling amongst out W.M.S.Advisory and our women workers, is that a higher rate of salary should be offered, and they think not less than $25.00 per month for each girls and $35.00 for the supervisor. In your reply you might let me have your reaction to this suggestion.

With kindest regards,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

WPB/AM

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T. K. FRANKLIN, REGISTRAR

May 4th, 1942.

Dr. G. A. Wilson,
801 W. Georgia St.
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Dr. Wilson:

I am going to presume on your kindness and ask you to assist us ina piece of work that we feel is sound, loyal, and christian, and exceedi ngly helpful to all concerned.

The attached letter is a copy of one sent to Major Taylor which I trust is fairly self explanatory and yo u will note that we have taken the liberty of giving him your name, Dr. G. R. Ridout stated that yo u would not mind.

We would like you to act for us in getting our church people concerned to assist in the choosing of these girls. We would like them to be Canadian born, Christian (our church if possible, and willing to work.) The work is not unduly hard, yet it is not unduly easy.

We could take the following: 4 girls for the kitchen work, preparing meals under the direction of our cook, and also wa shing dishes, etc; 2 girls to take charge of the dining room, laying and clearing of tables and keeping the dining room clean a nd inviting. One o f the dining room girls, I would like to be older, able to act as general supervisor of all the girls, it could be a Mother, or older sister o f one of the girls, o r some maturer person who would give general oversight to the girls.

Then I would like one to be the maid in our girls' residence.

The girls would be well cared for, they would live in one wing of the College in double and single rooms, with steam heat and all modern conveniences, and I am sure very happy partiuularly in view of so many of them being together.

They would be given $20.00 per month cash, plus their board and room. Their supervisor wo uld be given $25.00 for a start. We would take them on a year's contract o r for the duration and even longer i f all parties were satisfied. This would mean careful choosing and having the girls fully understand the type of work they would be undertaking. But no effort of ours would be spared to keep them happy and contented.

(Over)

HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

Possibly our church already has a committee working on such plans, if so, will you get in to uch with them for us?

Under separate cover, we have mailed you a copy of our Prospectus which will tell you something about our school. Dr. Geo. Little will be leaving for the coast in a day or so you will have an opportunity , I trust to speak to him, he knows our school fairly well and will give yo u much information concerning us. If you could persuade the government to care for their transportation expenses down here, it would be a great help to the girls and also to the government for that would be all th e expenses they would be put to.

Kindly forgive me loading you with this, but I feel sure you will help us out. You are peculiarly well fitted to handle such a matter. We would like to have the girls as soon as they could come, the earlier the better. In view of this we would appreciate word at your earliest.

Kindest personal regards and best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

Ben B Howard.

BH/HMB Principal.

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May 4th, 1942.

Major Austin Taylor, Chairman,
British Columbia Security Commission,
Marine Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Having noticed in various issues of the Daily Press statements as to the need for placement of the Japanese who are being evacuated from the coastal areas of British Columbia. I would like to present for your consideration the following:

Albert College will be willing to take for a year, or for the "Duration" six Japanese girls age approximately 17 to 18 years or over, plus a maturer woman, possibly the Mother or older sister of one of the girls in order that they would be given responsible and kindly supervision by one of themselves. This would mean seven in all.

The girls will be housed in the staff quarters in single and double rooms with all modern conveniences, having also their own reception room which is cosily furnished. They would be paid $10.00 per month cash, plus their room and board, the older person $25.00 per month.

As far as we are concerned our stipulations are few, we would like the girls to be Canadian born, members of our own Christian church if at all possible (United Church), healthy, and willing to undertake work in our kitchen and dining room, also one to be a maid in our girls' residence.

We can assure you that the girls would not find the work overhard and they would be exceedingly well cared for, and I feel sure with so many being together they would be very happy, enjoying the fellowship of the school and the beautiful surrounding country.

This would assure the girls of a fine home, an ideal and congenial place to work and the expense to the government would be nil, other than the matter of transportation which we trust they will care for. The girls will be earning money and in a position to care for their needs.

If this is at all possible, we are ready to take the girls as quickly as your department can arrange it, the sooner the better.

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Major Taylor --?

May 4th/42

I am writing Dr. G. A. Wilson, 801 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, B.C., to kindly representus, possibly you might get in touch with him on the matter.

I sincerely trust that the scheme is workable for we feel that it will be exceedingly beneficial to allconcerned and it will help meet an urgent need for the caring of these unfortunate people, and at the same time, help us to meet a war time need here.

Would at your earliest convenience will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very sincerely,

BH/HMB

Principal.

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HOME MISSIONS SUPERINTENDENT (BUNT)

258 Dundas St. East,
Belleville, Ontario,
June 24, 1942.

Rev. W. P. Bunt, B.A., B.D.
Supt. of Missions,
207 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

As I am an Overseas Nursing Sister who ~~served~~ Overseas In the War of 1914-18. I wish to apply for one Japanese girl for domestic purpose.

I live alone but I require an assistant. The Dominion Government gives me an Helpless allowance also a pension therefore I'm entitled to a servant. May I say I walk with crutches but I'm able to care for myself. I own a little bungalow which is very modern and comfortable. The work is quite light and my little bungalow is new. I can pay from $13 to $15 monthly.

I would gratefully appreciate your kindness if you could

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Suppy me with a Japanese assistant.

She would be permitted to have several afternoons off duty as the work is easily accomplished.

I have a summer cottage at Oak Lake on the Belleville - Stirling Highway and I spend most of the summer there, which is very delightful.

Yours truly,
(Miss) A. Mabel Foster.

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June 27th 1942

Miss A. Mabel Foster,
258 Dundas Street E.,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Miss Foster,

Answering your letter of the 24th in respect of a young Japanese lady for domestic help, I wish to say that the wages you offer do not conform to the requirements of the Employment Service of Canada. It might also be said that these young women are declining positions which offer $25 and$30.00 a month, and all found, so that you can see there is no possibility whatever of securing one for from $13 to $15.00 monthly.

Yours very truly,

WPB/AM

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