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IN RE: MERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE United Russian Professional Unions.

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This morning proceeded to Philadelphia, Pa. in order to visit the American Friends Service Committee, who had requested the United Hussian Professional Unions Relief Committee to send their representative to them in order to work out plans for future work.

Arrived in Thiladelphia at 12.15 P.M. and went to the headquarters of the "Quakers", located at 20 South 12th Street, and was informed that had gone to Minneapolis and that he could be seen some day next week. It is, or the said they are glad the Russian Professional Unions are cooperating with them, and that they, the Quakers, will help to organize new branches of the Relief Committee, but would not discuss the particulars, but would do so.

February 7,1900.

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MAMERICAN PRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE OF PHILADELPHIA, PA

At Philadelphia:

Reference is respectfully made to Bureau letter initialed and dated as above, requesting confidential investigation of the above named Society, which has beenused by anarchistic organizations as the medium for sending their funds for the relief Arg Doviet Russia.

In connection with the above and as a result of a discrect investigation it has been found that, as always known by this office, the AMERICAL PRISHDS SERVICE COMMITTEE is the some as the one known as THE FAIRBS SOCIETY, which is commonly In checking up almost all of the officers known as the Quakers. of the executive committee of this religious and philanthropic society, it was found that they are all persons of high stending in commercial and social circles, many of whom are devoting all of their time, without monetary gain, in the Committee's undertaking to help the famine stricken people of Soviet Russia, and in their other philanthropic undertakings. This committee, which is known to be a non-political organization or society, also has addinted .. and in accepting funds from any organizations or individuals, - whether radicals or not, but they do not allow anyone, no tatter hew big, the contribution may be, to invoke or serve their politica

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mittee's representatives now in Mescow, the famine area in Russia, are selected persons, they all being old experienced and conscientious members of the FRIENDS SOCIETY (Quakers).

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February 15, 1992.

Dear Sir,-

of the 17th inst. inquiring constraint of Philo-Camprison Friends Service Comparison of Philo-Calphin.

I have to advise you that in the investigations which this Bureau has been collect upon to roke recarding various Russian relief organizations it has not as yet had occusion to investigate "The American Priends Service Counties."

Very truly yours,

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Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

The American Friends Service Committee, 20 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, has appealed to our county for money or clothing for the Russians.

Knowing that similar organizations are being investigated by your department as to their genuine sincerity in this relief work, I desire to inquire of your department as to this organization, before accepting the County Chairmanship for this drive.

Thunking you, I am,

Yours very truly,

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE 20 South Twelfth Street PHILADELPHIA * PENESYLVANIA

September 14, 1939



Dear The Transfer

We are enclosing a check to your order in the amount of \$6.00 in payment of your bill which was recently sent to us by director of our summer work camp in the community. This payment covers professional services which you made on July 17 to in the amount of \$4.00, and on July 20 to in the amount of \$2.00.

Sincerely



LIAM H. KING, UTAH NOM D. AMITH, E. C. TOM CONNALLY, TEX. TON STEWART, TENN

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COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

May 31, 1940

CHRISTIE S. KENNLOY, CLERK

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director. Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I am herewith enclosing letter from the with letter which he received from American Friends Service Committee, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

If the information is available and you deem it proper to transmit it to me, I will appreciate your advice concerning the American Friends Service Committee.

Sincerely yours,

(Maller 7, Esty)

Clarkesville, Georgia., Fay 28, 1940

Hon. Walter F. George, United States Senator, Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator George:

For more than a year I have neglected writing you concerning a group of people, who have creanized a colony in the mountains of Habersham County, six miles from Clarkesville, Georgia. This colony is called the Cooperative Community or I have heard some say, the Home Friend Service Camp.

A man by the name of to Habersham County in 1936 and rented part of the buildings of the old A & "College. There were several boys and girls, all from way some place else that composed the class group. No young men or women of this section were ever invited to enroll in the classes, as far as we people here know. The claimed to be of the Columbia University. He seemed to be a very smart man, but in my conversations with him, he never would answer me as to what kind of a school or organization he had. He went so far as to say it was too complicated to explain at present. This was all in the year 1936 and 1937.

They gave up the old A & M buildings, went back into the mountains, boucht up several hundred acres of land, built a stone building, foreign in its design and appearance. They do farming and teach the mountain people how to make their homes better, that is, all who belong to the colony, they also teach the children school work in the home. This is all done by people who are smart and are from up in New England, most of them; some from New York and some from Philadelphia.

Last summer a number of foreign looking people came in. I met some of them, as I have been the doctor for most of them who needed the services of a physician. Some looked like Germans or Austrians. One could tell they were educated men and women.

They started the erection of a dam to make a small lake and some of the women dress like and work as laborers like the men.

One of the natives, I do work for, told me the organization owed them over Two Hundred Dollars for work they did last year.

I am inclosing a letter from one of the head offices located in Philadelphia. This came as a result of a bill I had mailed to the office of the "acedonia Camp here in the county.

Several large busses from up north loaded with men and women, have already been down to visit the camp in the last few weeks, the last bus was here one week ago. Due to the pecularity of the whole situation, the people I have seem and in view of the serious problems with which our nation is confronted today, I think this organization will bear an investigation. I know of no man to whom I had rather go, than to our good Sentor Walter F. George, to see that the proper investigation is made. Many of us believe that it is possible that this may be a branch of communism.

Thanking you for whatever action you may take recarding this request and I shall be clad to co-operate in every way I can to give you further information.

Yours very truly,

Honorable Walter V. George United States Conste Fashington, D. C.



Wy dear (Smator:)

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 31, 1040, and its enclarures consisting of a letter dated May 28, 1940, to you from the factorial transmitted theresitm.

Please be advised that as of 1922 this Eureau assertained the American indeeds Service Countities, which may be the same organization to which the constitution and the Friends Society, composity referred to as the quakers. Information received at that the indicated this was a religious and philanturopic society, the executive countities of which was composed of persons of high standing in countereial and social circles. I am unable, of course, to solvine you whether, assuming this organization is identical with that to which the following makes reference, its aims and personal are of the same high coliber, insecuch as no inquiries have been said in the premises by this Eureau since 1922.

A complete published by the American Prience Service Committee, 20 Couch 12th itrest, Philosolpide, Pennsylvania, which appears to be identical with the subject matter of your inquiry, was received by this Aurema in 1939 and reflects that said organization was founded in 1917 and "represents the Postaty of Friends (Justers) in efforts to relies human surfaring and promote intermational goodwill."
The Committee's activities are further described therein as the development of rombstead committee for impoverished coal charge; the subservices enrollment of college students for social reconstruction and pervice; the Student Peace



Service and other activities to promote peace in America.

It was indeed kind of you to bring to my attention tion the letter and its enclosure, both of which are being returned to you herewith.

I trust the information above set forth will serve to once extent to calimbten you concerning the organization referred to by handless.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Mincorely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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chased land in mountains behind Clarkes-ville, Georgia, where he established a camp known Friends Service Camp and Macedonia Camp where individuals from the East gather each summer for vacation. It is believed by the residents that these individuals are either Pacifists or Communists of some order. This camp is located near the channel of six dams of Georgia Power Company which supply power for Georgia and part of the Carolinas. Friends Service Camp is a Quaker organization, no indication of un-American activities.

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DETAILS:

AT_CLARKESVILLE, GEORGIA.

This investigation is predicated upon information received from the state of Habersham County, who stated that instant camp should fight conscription. Instant camp should had purchased the land about seven miles out in the mountains from Clarkesville, Georgia and had established the Friends Service Camp and the Lacedonia Camp where he pretends to farm

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and does not sell any products and has young boys and girls between twenty and thirty who come from the East to stay at the farm all summer. He stated that Example 1 stays there all summer and that he believes that he is affiliated in some manner with the Columbia University.

of the stated that she knew seven miles out in the mountains from Clarkesville, Georgia, known as Friends Service Camo. She stated that was presently an instructor at the State Teachers' College in Florence, Alabama, and that as far as she knew he was running this camp for an experiment in physical culture for young people about twenty years of age and from New York and other Eastern States.

records and advised that i from the American Friends Society in Philadelphia, Fa. He also stated that one was director of this came and was a direct representative of the American Friends Society, Philadelphia, Pa. A description of the American Friends Society, Philadelphia, Pa. A description of the Was also obtained that i had brought boys down from the East and allowed them to work on the farm and thus improve themselves physically.

of the stated that it, both of Friends Service Camp, had been dealing with the testore for quite some time, but they were always good pay and that they appeared to be affiliated with some organization from the East; that he personally did not believe that they were in any manner un-American in their activities; and that the biggest trouble in Clarkesville was that the people were unable to find out just what they were doing out there and thus it worried them a great deal.

all of them dealing with the administration of instant camp or speaking of arrival or departure of various members of the camp. It was noted to the camp. It was noted to the camp. It is a personal friend of writer, is a great worker in peace movements and is an ardent Quaker. He spends much of his time going over the country giving speeches on peace and the Quaker way of life. It is also per-

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sonally known to writer that the American Friends Society is a non-profitable benevolent association directly sponsored by the Cuaker church and spends most of its time, efforts, and money on the relieving of pain and suffering among war refugees and among the more unfortunate individuals in the various countries of the world. In view of the fact that this camp is operated by the Cuaker faith it was not believed advisable at this time to conduct any additional investigation on this camp since there is no definite indication of any un-American activities going on there.

stated that was the owner of the land on which the Friends Service Camp was held and that he leased this land to the American Friends Society, Philadelphia, Pa., through the Camp Director. She stated that she had talked with and that he had advised her of this. She also stated that stated that she had advised her of this. She also stated that stated that she had advised her of this. She also stated that stated that she had advised her of this. She also stated that stated that she had advised her of this camp was for the University State Teachers' College, Florence, Alabama. She advised that the only mail received for this camp was for the various members who stayed there during the summer time and official communications from the American Friends' Society for and and subversive activities of any type and that all they did

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was to sponsor a summer camp for people who did not ordinarily get to go to a camp of this type because of a lack of money and that it was sponsored by a Quaker Church Society.

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For Department General Staff.
Military Intelligence Division G-2
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October 19, 1940

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Lt. Col. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation

The attached communications are forwarded for your information and such action as you consider advisable.

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October 13, 1940

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Subject:

American Friends Service Committee

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Summary of Information:

Copy of telegram received October 17, 1940 -

Mr. Pickett
American Friends Service Committee
20 South 12th Street
Philadelphia/Pa.

Message of American Friends Service Committee has been forwarded to competent German authorities stop As soon as a decision has reached us I shall communicate with you again.

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Please charge German Embassy

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RE: ALMICAN FRIENDS SURVICE CONSISTEND 20 South 12th Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Prom information on hand, the American Friends Service Committee, 20 South 12th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, appears to be a quaker organization devoted to charitable and preific ends. This organization, founded in 1917, representing the religious society of Friends has, according to literature prepared and distributed by this group, "engaged in many projects to promote peace and to afford young people opportunity for constructive patriotic service. Its relief work in war areas and also in depressed industrial sections of the United States has been widely shared in and supported by Americans of all denominations and faiths. In addition to its Place Volunteers and work Camps Summer Projects for college students, the constitute administers quaker centers and student hostels in Europe and non-partisan relief for refugees in Spain and Germany."

The group itself is divided into sections which are devoted to certain specific ends, for example, Peace Section, heruges section, etc.

Its reace Section is affiliated with an organization known as "keep America Out of Har Congress," and has participated in various peace conferences. In 1936 as part of a campaign identified as the "morgency Feace Campaign," the organization solicited funds under the sponsorship of Fhiladelphia, Fennsylvania. The organization also participated in a movement opposing the lifting of the Arms Embargo in Deptember, 1939. In a newspaper release, was cuoted as having derived the idea of organizing a "general staff" to fight for the retention of the Arms Embargo.

As an affiliate of the "Keep America Out of War Congress," 22 East 17th Street, New York City, the organization adopted the following program:

- Reutrality: Strict enforcement of the 1939 Noutrality Law, and the adoption of additional legislation to prevent war trade and war profits.
- War Referendum: Demand the democratic right of the people to vote before any declaration of war.
- Opposition to Industrial Poblication, Conscription and all mar Dictatorship Legislation in Peace Fime.
- prastic Sar Profits Tax Program: Discouraging the participation by the United States in war for the sake of profits.
- No Alliances with any Nation or Group of Nations at Mar.
- No Increase in Armaments: Promotion of National Defense through economic and social security for the people.

Opposition to all Forms of Intolerance Here and Abroad: Advocating the position that the United States be an asylum for political and religious refugees.

Cooperation with Craminations of People in Every Country Lowerd These Lads.

This group participated in a conference sponsored by the Institute of International herations at allentown, Pennsylvania, in July, 1949. The Director of this conference was a stated to be "to provide a critical and constructive study of international relations under the ablest historians in the field." It was rescribed as being a non-sectarian group operated in conjunction with "The Council for Social Action of the Congressional Church." The speakers seneduled to address this conference were for the American Friends Service Committee, and the conference were for the American Friends Service Committee, and the conference were for the American Friends Service Committee, and the Council can now a German refugee.

In July, 1940, the group also featered what was described as a Student Peace Service. It published and distributed numerous publications on peace and sponsored conferences in colleges throughout the United States on such subjects as peace and social problems. It solicited young people to volunteer to serve on committees under the Student Peace Service. The organization distributed forms wherein the signer made a record of his resolution never to approve or participate in any war except to repel an unprovoked invasion of continental United States by a Foreign foe, never to approve or participate in any international war, but to reserve judgment with respect to civil war involving economic justice. It has published literature of a pacifist nature opposing conscription. Typical booklets are entitled "lay America Should Not Adopt Conscription." a "Pacifist Handbook." and "America's Task in a world at War."

In connection with the work of the Refugee Section of this group, the American Friends Service Committee has participated in campaigns to raise money to aid the Spanish refugees in France, and on October 7, 1939, assisted the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign in its efforts. It also assisted in the program of the resettlement of Spanish refugees in various South American countries.

Information has also been received that the organization gives advice to immigrants.

is in charge of individuals, Pennsylvania. It has also been reported that this organization has reports and photographs in its files of individuals in Germany who desire to obtain aid of Americans in coming to the United States.

There is no information on hand indicating that the American Friends Service Committee takes any position in purely political matters, nor that it is engaged in activities of an unlawful or subversive nature.





Street scene, Madrid. Quakers are fending children in this city.

Refugee Statistics

- There are more than 1,000,000 refugees in Loyalist territory—i. e. 10% of the population in that area. (League of Nations Commission, January, 1937.)
- Of these, 250,000 children are in refugee colonies. (New York Times, April 10, 1937.)
- It is estimated 116,000 children under 14 years of age remain in Madrid where extreme suffering and food shortage exists. (Cuthbert-Wigham, F. S. G., Lonlan, April 7, 1037.)
- 30,000 war orphans in desperate need of clothing and medical supplies are in the care of Nationalists. (Sylvester Jones, January, 1937.)
- "There were thousands of (refugee) children. We counted at least 5000 under ten years of age; at least 1000 were barefoot, many clothed only in a single garment." (Dr. Norman Bethune, describing evacuation of Malaga.)

The Need for Clothing

- "Giving the people clothes is not only a materal help to them, it cheers them up too; children especially can be made to smile by a bright colored jumper or a pair of new shoes. We still have a shortage of boys' breeches. Underclothing and socks are low again. I fear many of them (refugees) will have to wear the same until the end of the war." (Afred Jusch to English Friends, March, 1937.)
- "Send warm clothing of all description for children, also knitting wood so that refugee mothers may knit for their children and so avoid the democalization of idleness." (Edith M. Pye Report.)
- "This morning we had to clothe six children, the youngest aged four, who had walked from Maiaga to Almeria in canvas shoes." (Alfred Jacob. Quaterelief worker.)

and Mothers Exclusively

Give to non-partisan American relief in Spain. At least \$10,000 a month is needed. Food, clothing and medical supplies are being administered by Quakers and other Americans selected by the American Friends Service Committee; supported by the Federal Council of Churches, Mennonites, Church of the Brethren and other religious, peace and social organizations; associated with Friends Service Council (London) which directs English Quaker relief work in Spain.

NOTE: Immunity from seizure of A. F. S. C. supplies is guaran-'eed under agreements with Loyslist and Insurgent forces.

What Quaker Eyewitnesses Report

A Cable from Barcelona dated April 29th: "Conditions Madrid Oblige Rapid Evacuation Children, Can A.F.S.C. Maintain 250—Jacob"

From ALMERIA: "As to the resugees they have been dropping and dying on the road. Food is terribly short. There are long queues of people waiting for bread and yesterday the doors shut because there was no more." From BARCELONA: "I told Dr. Pictet I had learned not to say sympathetic words to the refugees as it so often makes them break down. She said that in Madrid the people seem to be past tears."

From MADRID: "The houses are not so badly bombed as one might imagine. What is most terrible is the expression of the people."

THE FIRST QUAKER RELIEF WORKERS IN SPAIN



TO LOYALIST SPAIN
Either L. Forquhar,
Cleveland Social Worker



A Quaker feeding center for refugees, Barcelona



TO NATIONALIST SPAIN
Wilfred V. Jones,
Chicago Social Worker,



Non-Seclarian

Spanish Child Feeding Mission
MERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE



A dash for safety. Who will feed and care for this refugee child?

The Need or Food

- "Domestic supplies nearly exhausted. Send food not money. Recommend sending cargo as genetous as possible of flour, sugar, tinned milk and meat for exclusive use of children and mothers." (Calle from Spherter Jones, January 16th.)
- Babies fed on flour and water. No bread in Asturias or Billiao for 3 weeks. No meat, a little fish, great shortage of flour, sugar, beans, potatoes and particularly seed potatoes. No fruit. Milk shortane. (Notes concerning Brighte area: Miss Lloyd Williams to English Priemis, April 1937.)
- "Milk, tinned and dried, sugar, farinaceous foods, cod-liver oil, especially for Madrid but also for children's hospitals... every kind of food product will be Nelcome." (Edith M. Pye to English Friends, January, 1937.)

The Need for Medical Supplies

- "Great lack of medicines, medical instruments and tonics for children who are Lkely to get inchess while already there is a great deal of tuberculists. Such things as colliver oil badiy needed." (Miss Lloyd Williams Report.)
- "I am informed that in hospitals even, there is not only a lack of medicine, but that in many instances it has been necessary to perform operations without an anaesthetic." (Claude G. Bowers, U. S. Ambassador to Spain.)
- "Both sides need medicines and hospital supplies." (Cable from Spiretter Jones.)

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Help the children of Spain! Months of civil war have dragged many Spanish people to the verge of starvation. Refugee children, mothers and infants lack milk, bread, meat, clothes, medical supplies. "Famine," reports a League of Mations Commission, "may make its appearance with startling rapidity." Alteady tuberculosis, rickets and other diseases of undernourishment ravage a generation of children. Help them impartially. The American Friends Service Committee is administering relief in both Loyalist and Nationalist Service Committee is administering relief in both Loyalist and Nationalist Spain. It seeks to demonstrate, through non partisan aid, creative good will Spain. It seeks to demonstrate, through non partisan aid, creative good will

An Appeal . . . To anericans of good will



The American Frie. is Service Committee represents the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in efforts to promote peace and to relieve human suffering. Its work in war areas and also in depressed industrial sections of the United States has been widely shared in and supported by Americans of other denominations and faiths.

In undertaking rehef work in Spain, the American Friends Service Committee supports no cause other than that of suffering humanity. Workers are establishing child-ferling stations on both sides of the conflott. Food and clothing are being shipped solely to aid refugee children, war orphans and expectant and nursing mothers. This service of non-partisan good will to innocent victims of war should appeal to all Americans regardless of personal judgment of political sympathies.

In the years following the War, the American public generously responded to our appeal for the starving children of Germany. Again, during the depression, we were enabled to feed 40,000 undernourished children in the stricken coal fields. We now appeal to the wildest possible public for help to feed the starving children in Spain. The outpouring of impartial aid will give them more than bread. It will be to them an unforgettable evidence of the love of humanity, in contrast to the harred which has shattered their lives. This, we believe, is the way of peace.

Gifts of M. nev

should be sent to the Committee on Spain of the American Friends Service Committee, 20 South 12th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Checks should be made payable to the American Friends Service Committee and marked IOR SPANISH RELIEF. Contributions may be deducted for Income Tax purposes. A receipt will be sent.

Gifts of Clothing

should be sent to the American Friends Service Committee Storeroom, 1515 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please send new garments for infants, boys and girls; good used clothing for boys. A limited quantity of clothing for adults will be shipped but, due to high freight rates, only good clothing should be contributed.



Theirs the joy of receiving; yours the joy of giving

Supporting Org sizations

Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America
The Church of the Brethren
Mennonity Central Committee

Greater New York Federation of Churches American Unitarian Association

Committee on Public Affairs of the New York Society for Ethical Culture

Universal Christian Council
World Alliance for International Friendship Through

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the Churches

AND OTHER RELIGIOUS, PEACE AND SOCIAL

AND OTHER RELIGIOUS, PEACE AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS

To Sylvester Jones, A. F. S. C. representative in Spain:

"The necessary evacuation of vast numbers of people from their homer to escape destruction might well, it seems to me, be assisted by neutral peoples. Food, clothing, medicines are seriously needed . . . In sending you to Spain to survey the needs of humanity on both sides, your organization has done a very fine thing that cannot but be appreciated by the entire Spanish people."

Claude G. Bowens, U. S. Ambassador to Spain

Committee on World Friend-

Central Bureau for Relief af

Association to Save the

Children of Spain

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the Evangelical Churches

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Movement

To Dr. Rufus M. Jones, Chairman of the A. F. S. C.:

"Recently I learned that the American Friends Service Committee is planning to undertake nonpartisan relief work in Spain on behalf of the women and children... The need is desperate. I hope you can be in the field soon, not only with food and supplies but also with the spirit of good will that characterizes Quaker relief."

S. De Madakiaoa, former Spanish Ambassador to the United States Child.en are neither. Rebel nor Loya

Help Feed Spain's Hungry Children



Spain's Children Need Food and Clothing

Refugee children—war orphans—mothers and infants are near starvation in Loyalist and Nationalist Spain. You can share in saving innocent victims of war and bring ways of peace into shattered lives.

Give to the Non-Partisan Spanish Child-Fleding Mission of the

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Subject in mail communication with Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, Phila., Pa.

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Robert Lyon, American Friends Service Committee (just back from Cuba)

Raymond Wilson, Friends Committee on National Legislation

Annales Stewart, Women's international League for Peace and Freedom

Edward Snyder, Friends Committee on National Legislation

Frances Neely, Friends Committee on National Legislation

August 16, 1941

Honorable Adolf A. Borle, Jr. Assistant Secretary of State Department of State Eashington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Berles

I am transmitting herewith for your information a memorandum dated August 15, 1921, which briefly surmarises the contents of correspondence between Howard Morehner, American Friends Service Committee, Marseille, and the American Friends Service Committee, 20 South 12th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

It is noted that the American Friends Service Committee, 20 Scuth 12th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, registered with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of Section 8 of the Neutrality Act of 1939, for the purpose of soliciting funds and contributions to aid and relieve human suffering in Great Tritain, Poland, Germany, France, Norway, Bolgium and the Natherlands.

Sincerely yours,

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It is confidentially reported that Howard Kershner, American Friends Service Committee, Marseille, corresponded with the American Friends Service Committee, 20 South 12th Street, Chiladelphia, Pennsylvania, by letter dated April 18, 1941, relative to Cinameial transactions of the American Friends Service Committee.

A brief surrary of the contents of this letter, according to the confidential source, is as follows:

of milk in Switzerland and we hope you have by this time made payment. We can also buy for immediate shipment one million Swiss Francs worth of milk, cheese, and meat, if you advise that the money is available to make payment.

not only to pay for the dried vegetables which are payable in French Francs, but to send one million French Francs to the Dutch Relief Committee and to set up a proper receive for our operations in this zone, as so have already done in the other zone.

"Addressees are on M.E.W. 10' No. 2 list U.S.A. Potails given of the distribution of 30 gallons of vitamins representing 21 million doses to French children in southern France."

It is further reported that Howard Merchner again corresponded with the American Friends Service Committee by latter dated April 29, 1941, relative to feed purchases. A brief summary of the contents of this latter, according to the confidential source, is as follows:

*American Friends Service Committee Food Purchases. - Extracts:

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Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

Sioux Falls, South Dakota June 23, 1941

Director Federal Sureau of Investigation Washington, L. C.

Dear Sir:

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Inquiry has been made of this office with reference to the character and loyalty of this organization.

Will you please advise whether the Bureau has any information with reference to this organization in order that I may inform the biographical sketches.

Very truly yours,

Special A want in Charge

Special Agent in Charge Sioux Falls, South Dakota

RE: AMTRICAN FRIUNDS SERVICE COMMITTEE
INFORMATION CONCEDENING

Dear Sir:

There is set forth below a summary of the data contained in the Bureau files relative to the above-mentioned organization:

The American Friends Service Committee has been reported to be a Quaker organization under the leadership of Rufus Jones who is a professor at Haverford College, Haverford, Pennsylvania. The aims of this organization appear to be of a charitable and pacifiest nature. It is stated the organization was founded in 1917 representing the religious society of Friends and has, according to literature prepared and distributed, "engaged in many projects to promote peace and to afford young people opportunity for constructive patriotic service." It claims to have performed relief work in depressed industrial sections of the United States, and has allegedly been supported by Americans of all denominations. According to its literature it has also administered non-partisan relief for refugees in Spain and Germany.

The Peace Section of the American Friends Service Committee has been affiliated with an organization known as "Keep America Out of War Congress," and has participated in various peace conferences. The latter organization has been reported to be a Communist Front.

In July of 1940, the American Friends Sorvice Committee fostered what was described as a Student Peace Service, published and distributed numerous publications on peace, and sponsored conferences in colleges throughout the United States on such subjects as peace and social problems. It has published literature of a pacifist nature opposing conscription.

In connection with the work of the Refugee Section, the Committee has participated in campaigns to raise money to aid the Spanish refugees in France. It has also assisted in a program of resttlement of Spanish refugees in various South American countries.

Information has also been furnished that the Committee gives advice to immigrants and it has been stated that the committee files contain photographs and reports of individuals in Germany who desire to obtain aid of immericans in coming to the United States.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director 70 . .

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With reference to the above captioned organization, which is mentioned in your memorardum number 2219, dated August 5, 1941, it is noted that this organization has registered with the Secretary of State in accordance with the terms of the Neutrality Act of 1939, for the purpose of soliciting and collecting contributions to be used for the relief of human suffering in Creat Britain, Poland, Germany, France, Norway, Belgium, and the Netherlands.

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5th August, 1941.

Re: ANGRICAN FRIMES SERVICE COMMITTEE

The address of the above organization is probably known to you and has been revealed to us recently as 20 SOUTH TIMETH STRUCT, OTHIRADELPHIA. He note that they maintained this address in 1932, so presume they are still carrying on there.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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ALERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COLLITTEE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

The Peace Caravan consisting of four members conducted meetings in Osborne, Kansas, during July, 1941. They are connected with the American Friends Service Committee; have declared they are conscientious objectors and advocate a negotiated peace.

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DETAILS: Source recently advised this office that four young men calling themselves a Peace Caravan, which Caravan seems to have been sponsored by the local limisterial Association, came to Osborne, Kansas. At one of their meetings they distributed circulars, the contents of which are set forth as follows:

INTRODUCING YOUR COLLIUNITY CARAVAN

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*Our purpose is to help our fellow citizens to understand the problems and to bear the burdens of peace, and to serve the community in as many ways as we can.

-Your Community Caravan.

WHAT IS A CARAVAN?

A Caravan is a group of four college young men or women who have faith enough in their fellow men to believe that democracy can survive and advance, and that the world can be rid of war.

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They have acquired a background of information in the problems of economics, sociology, religion and international relations. They are trained in leading discussion and study groups, speaking, writing and dramatics, and are ready to help groups and individuals to consider the problems of establishing order, justice, understanding, and goodwill in the world.

In addition to this concern, the Caravaners are eager to serve your community in as many constructive ways as they can, such as helping with community recreation, craft instruction, church work, welfare work, etc. Caravaners are selected college students from all parts of the country without regard to race, color, or religious affiliation. They are recruited by the American Friends Service Committee, with national headquarters at 20 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and trained by them for ten days at one of their Institutes of International Relations.

CARAVANERS ARE INVITED TO THE COMMUNITY

The Caravaners living and working in this community this summer have been invited here by a representative local sponsoring committee which will supervise the work of the Caravan during their stay here.

CARAVANERS PAY THEIR OWN WAY

Caravaners are not paid workers. They give their summer vacations and pay their own expenses in order to do this work. The community Sponsoring Committee has provided them with a place to live where they do their own housekeeping, including cooking.

THE AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

The American Friends Service Committee which recruits and trains the Caravaners represents the Society of Friends (Quakers) in the fields of social action. The Committee is the expression of only a small religious group, but it enlists the support of many other like-minded people of all denominations. Today, the Committee maintains a wide range of projects at home and abroad—the care of destitute children in war-ruined Europe, notably France; aid to refugees of many nationalities in many parts of the world; efforts to rehabilitate the families of the permanently unemployed coal miners and cotton sharecroppers; work camps for young people seeking to make a contribution to the Nation's welfare through constructive labor; educational projects through which Americans may gain knowledge of the conditions underlying racial, class and international conflicts. These and many other activities aim at creating human fellowship

and understanding in areas of strife and antagonism. (If further information is desired write to Clarence Pickett, Executive Secretary, American Friends Service Committee, 20 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)

THE LOCAL SPONSORING COLMITTEE"

Some of the remarks made at the meetings and conversations with them have not met with the approval of some of the local citizens of Osborne. They have held meetings in various churches, cooperating with various programs of these churches. They have been quite outspoken in their declaration that they were conscientious objectors, and had been advocating the advisability of a negotiated peace.

There being no further investigation to be conducted by the Kansas City Office this matter is being closed.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Hy dear lir. Hoover:

For the last two years the American Friends Service Committee has conducted during the summer months what is known as the "American Seminar," which is developed as an opportunity for training teachers and artists, who have come to this country as refugees and immigrants, in the language, customs and practices of American life. It is an effort to enable them to be better citizens and to find employment.

In 1940 the Seminar was held at Brewster Academy, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, and in 1941 at Holderness School, Plymouth, New Hompshire. During the coming year we are proposing to set up two sections of the American Seminar, one on the campus of the State University at Orono, Maine, and the other on the campus of the State University at Durham, New Hampshire. Tentative arrangements have already been made with both of these universities, although final epproval must still be given by their boards. It is plained to have at each institution a group of thirty to forty refugee scholars, teachers and other professional people, under the guidance of our Committee. It happens that both of these universities are in somewhat isolated communities which are fully accustomed to persons doing study and research. Durnam is about six miles from the coast, Orono about twenty miles from the coast. All members of the staff and students of these seminers will be housed on the campuses in regular dormitories. It is anticipated that, the student members will represent many different nationalities, amon them Austrians. Czecas, Poles. . Adesians, French, also Germans and Italians ... -

I am enclosing herewith the story of Test year's seminar as written by Hiss Josephine J. William, together with bulletine of the summer school sections of the universitial action and New Parashire. You may also wish to read a letter from Major Marchael E. Dimock of the Irright tion and laturalization Service of the Department of Justice, which is addressed to Professor Merbert A. Filler, in order he consents when the attitude of the Impigration

I am giving you this information because we want to keep those government agencies responsible for public safety informed of our operations. We shall appreciate any comments you may yish to make on these plans.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence E. Pickett Executive Secretary

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AMERICAN FRIENDS' SERVICE CO., AITTEE-Refugee Section 20 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, Penna.

RUFUS M. JONES, Chairman

CLARENCE E. PICKETT, Executive Secretary

THE AMERICAN SEMINAR'S SECOND SEASON JOSEPHINE J. WILLIAMS

Only a very small number of refugees are able to come to this country at the present time, partly because of the stringency of our immigration policy, and partly because of the difficulties involved in reaching a neutral port and securing passage. But among the few who do manage to come, there are distinguished intellectuals and artists whose contribution to our culture will be out of all proportion to their number. The newcomers' needfor Americanization has long been recognized; more recently we have realized that the professional group of refugees face special problems of adjustment. If they are to teach and lecture and write, they need an excellent command of English, which can only be gotten through intensive work that is adapted to their academic training. If they are to have fruitful and cordial personal relationships with American students and audiences, they must have a sympathetic understanding of our social customs, our traditions and our characteristic attitudes.

The American Seminar, now in its second year, is one of several projects sponsored by the American Friends' Service Committee with a view to helping refugee scholars and artists with these problems of adjustment. The first session was held in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, in the summer of 1940, the second session at the Holderness School in Plymouth, New Hampshire, July 2 to September 2, 1941.

The Seminar was again organized according to a plan worked out by Dr. Hertha Kraus, Associate Professor of Social Economy at Bryn Mawr College, and Consultant to the American Friends' Service Committee, who also served as Executive Secretary of the Seminar. Professor Herbert A. Miller, formerly Professor of Sociology at Bryn Mawr College and Temple University, was the Resident Director and an inspired leader. The faculty of four members and 21 tutors were American teachers or graduate students except for one tutor who had taught English in Austria. The maintenance staff of twelve adults and nine juniors was partly European. With a very few exceptions the entire staff contributed their services. Staff and faculty led a strenuous life. The odd jobs that turned up gave scope to every latent talent but no one thought of begrudging the hard work.

The members of the Seminar had been carefully selected, following recommendations of the several refugee agencies, professional associations, and professional colleagues. They paid a fee of one hundred dollars, covering all expenses for the nine weeks. About 25% of the group were sponsored by New York refugee agencies who made their training possible, paying a reduced fee of eighty dollars, supplemented by a twenty dollar scholarship of the American Friends' Service Committee. In other cases members were helped by individual friends to meet the fees.

The eighty-two members were of ten different nationalities: approximately one-third of the group was Austrian and another third German; French, Czechs, Russians, Hungarians, Roumanians, Poles, Italians and Dutch made up the rest. The lifty-three men and twenty-nine women included fifteen married couples. The majority had a doctor's degree and had been well established in their professions. The scholars included twieve social scientists, three natural scientists, five philosophers, three psycholo-

gists and one mathematician. Seven members were teachers. The arts were represented by eleven musicians or musicologists, seven painters, art his torians or industrial artists, a stage director, a puppeteer and a teacher of the modern dance. Fifteen members had legal training, and eight were editors or journalists. A few had been in this country a year or more the majority had been here only a few months and had few intimat contacts with Americans. Most of the members had a good foundation is English grammar and an excellent reading knowledge; they all needed practice in hearing and speaking English. Even those who could how forward to definite positions for the following winter had their private someway, but to a remarkable extent, these refugees succeeded in living in the present, welcoming the summer as an opportunity to learn and a providential respite from worry.

Through the generosity of the Holderness School, the Seminar was housed in handsome brick buildings on a beautiful campus in the foothilf of the White Mountains. The school provided dormitory space for the state and fifty members. A few members lived in private houses in the village of Plymouth, a mile or so from the campus. Plymouth Teachers College puts auditorium at the disposal of the Seminar, and, like the Plymouth Librar and Dartmouth College, very kindly lent books not owned by the school The community was friendly and helpful; neighbors lent equipment, gavegetables from their gardens and provided transportation and outings if their cars. Members were invited to speak at the Rotary Clubs of Plymouth Bristol, and Meredith. To many newcomers the climate and landscape of New Hampshire were a revelation, refreshing to body and spirit. The mountains and lakes reminded each one of cherished places in his own countrand gave him new courage to face an uncertain future in America.

The program was planned to meet the four major needs of the menbers: language training, a realistic understanding of the American scene, resand relaxation after terrific emotional strain, and experience in group livin in the American way. The academic part of the program was a familiar procedure, easily taken up again; the art of relaxing in some cases had to be relearned; the co-operative group living was a wholly new experience that became more and more meaningful as the hundred twenty-five individual became a community with a common purpose and a common responsibility

Each morning the whole Seminar gathered in the chapel for a shot period of silent worship or meditation, with an occasional message, in the Quaker manner. Some who at first found the silence meaningless, later discovered not only its restfulness but also its significance in our common search for God.

Two classes were held every morning. During the first hour Professor J. Neale Carman of the University of Kansas and Dr. Archibald H. Coolidg of the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, Connecticut, conducted an Englis course in two sections. During the second hour Professor Miller lectured of the American community three days a week; on the alternate days in Jul Dr. Arthur Mekeel of Friends University, Wichita, Kansus, gave a surve of American history, and in August there were a number of visiting lecturers Various aspects of American education were discussed by Professor Louis P. Benezet of Dartmouth College, formerly Superintendent of Schools is Manchester. New Hampshire, Dr. Ernest L. Silver, President of Plymout Teachers College, the Rev. Edric Weld, Rector of the Holderness School, and Miss Elizabeth F. Johnson, formerly Head of the Baldwin School in Bry Mawr, Pennsylvania. Dr. Robert S. Lynd, co-author of MIDDLETOWN described dife in a typical Middle-Western town. Dr. Rufus M. Jones, Dr. Mekeel, Miss Emma Cadbury, and Dr. Anna C. Brinton of Pendle Hill spoke on the history and philosophy of Quakerism. Dr. Laurens Seelye of

the Emergency Committee for Displaced Foreign Scholars, discussed the problem of placing foreign scholars in American colleges. Among the other lectures, mention should be made of a talk on public welfare by Mr. Ralph Page, Commissioner of Public Welfare in New Hampshire, one on the American Press by Mr. R. H. Markham, special correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor, one on the Sociology of the Radio by Dr. Paul Lazarsfeld, Professor at Columbia University and Director of Radio Research for the Rockefeller Foundation, and one on the New Hampshire League of Arts and Crafts by its founder, Mrs. Randolph Coolidge. The atmosphere in the lecture room was informal; members asked questions on everything from philosophy to etiquette. The lectures provoked comparisons with European institutions, that made good material for discussion with the tutors in the afternoon conversation groups.

· Lunch was followed by a quiet hour, a concession to the vacation season and European customs. Between three and five the campus was dotted with little groups of persons, sitting on the ground in the shade. A visitor driving in could not guess that the most intensive work of the day was in progress. Each member belonged to a conversation group of four or five persons interested in the same field. The group met with a tutor for forty minutes four afternoons a week, and in addition each member had four scheduled individual tutorial conferences of twenty minutes. Each group worked out its own program, according to the common needs and interests of its members. Individual conferences were usually devoted to help with pronunciation, . letter writing, or the preparation of a speech or article. At one stage the campus echoed from the kitchen to the tennis courts with muttered snatches of the Gettysburg Address in a bewildering variety of accents. At table newly acquired idioms were proudly paraded, sometimes in a startling context. Between five and six there were usually choir rehearsals or folk dancing. Some persons strolled to the village and the three croquet courts were in constant use.

One evening each week the Seminar put on an entertainment for the community. Vocal and instrumental music, a play of Chekov's, folk dances -and modern dances were presented by distinguished European artists and enthusiastically received by capacity audiences. Through the final entertainment the Seminar raised more than \$400.00 for the new Plymouth Memorial Hospital. Through the kindness of the Northern New Hampshire Broadcasting Company, ten members of the Seminar, representing nine different nationalities, gave a broadcast on the cultural relations between their countries and the United States. Beside the formal entertainments, the musicians frequently gave delightful impromptu programs in the living room. One or two evenings a week the "Highbrows," who by their own assertion needed food for thought, and who in the faculty's opinion needed practice in public speaking in English, met to discuss social and philosophic questions. The juniors countered by organizing Saturday evening dances. Whatever the program, the evening ended with the rite of raiding the ice box, a custom rarely encouraged by institutions.

One feature of the daily routine deserves special mention: the co-operative work program, which meant that each person cared for his own room except for the sweeping, and took his turn waiting on table, dishwashing and helping with the Saturday morning cleaning. No member worked every week or more than two hours a day on the average. The work program was of course a financial necessity, but it was far more than that. Through the manual labor new skills were acquired—learned gentlemen who had never before polished their own shoes found courage to attempt the laundering of their shirts—at some risk to the shirts. Trouser creases, that were irregular by all objective standards, were exhibited by their owners with the pride of

a child showing off its latest drawing. Out of the teamwork in the dining room and kitchen, there came a sense of sharing responsibility for the common good. Within a wide range of individual variations, persons became more observant of the small ways in which they could help and more ready to take the initiative. It was a novel experience for those who were accustomed to considerable deference because of their professional standing to be limited by the language difficulty in their means of expression, and to have their standing with the group depend, to a considerable extent, on their spirit of co-operation in menial tasks. As one member said, "Don't mind the dishes we have broken; in the history of the world communities have been built at greater cost."

Wednesday afternoons and Saturdays were left free for recreation and excursions. Swimming parties and drives were always popular. Several nearby mountains were climbed by the more energetic. Dartmouth College invited the whole Seminar, over for the day and provided guided tours of the campus, with its fine library and Orozco murals. Mr. George G. Clark of Plymouth staged a very amusing country fair on his farm for the Seminar. Other neighbors entertained smaller groups delightfully. One of the high-spots of the summer was the visit of the Hampton Quartette. They presented a beautiful program and taught the Seminar to sing some spirituals. For the Europeans it was a deeply moving introduction to the Negro, his music, and his religion. The two gala occasions of the summer were the mid-term dance and the farewell banquet. On both occasions the entertainment included hilarious skits. Some members said they had not laughed so much for several years.

On Sundays those who cared to, attended a Friends meeting for worship. Some attended services in one of the local churches. Several of the singers sang in church choirs. In the evening everyone gathered on the beautiful terrace behind the main building for a picnic supper, followed by group singing of American songs.

It is impossible to measure the results of the summer's experience. There are no "before and after" recordings of pronunciation, no statistics of weight gained and no systematic way of estimating changes in attitude, but everyone concerned was aware of progress in several directions. The tension in the lecture room relaxed perceptibly as English sounds became more familiar. Conversation became more spontaneous as the mechanics of the language were mastered. The lectures helped to dispel groundless fears, but real difficulties were frankly discussed. Many members looked stronger, and some looked years younger, as the good and plentiful food, the rest and sun and air took effect. The gaiety of the younger group was contagious. For some members the most important thing of all was the sense of belonging to a community again, of being welcomed, befriended and valued by Americans. For the staff, the Seminar was a unique opportunity to associate with brilliant persons from every part of the continent. Teaching conditions were ideal. and no one could fail to gain a better understanding of the whole refugee problem and a deeper sympathy for its victims.

And if we are ever tempted to think that helping eighty-two refugees, when hundreds of thousands are homeless, is only a pathetic gesture of good will, we need only remember that, in terms of the higher values, the rehabilitation of a single life is in itself a great achievement, and that every ideal approached in a practical way, no matter on how small a scale, is an encouragement to all the persons of good will who are looking for a way to create peace and order out of destruction and chaos.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

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LUERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Teletype from Huntington to Philadelphia dated 5-26-42.

Investigation in this case is predicated upon a telephone of received from Confidential Informant . 3, who advised that situation in the vicinity of Berkeley Springs required investions

AT BERKELEY SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA

Confidential Informant? advised the writer that he had offidential information from Confidential Informant () to the effect that two individuals now vecationing at Cacapon State Park, ten miles from Berksley Springs, were receiving liter which was pro-Japanese in mature, and which also appeared that to assisting conscientious objectors. It was the opin of () that the mail received by these individuals contained seditious statements against the United States and its trees

of the Japanese in evacuation from the Pacific Coast areas. He referred to

Confidential Informant C advised that a and his wife, registered at Cacapon State Park for a cottage on May 16, 1942, stating that they wished to remain for two weeks. They gave an address of the stated that the philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Shortly after the arrival, a stated that the began to receive much mail from the American Priends Service Counittee whose headquarters were located in Philadelphia. I stated that his suspicious were aroused by a number of letter which he recovered belonging to I are produced an envelope addressed to consider the produced an envelope addressed to South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia. This envelope contained approximate twenty-five tissue copies of letters addressed to college students in the H England area concerning their application to work for the summer months as Peace Volunteers in the United States and Mexico.

Also contained in the envolone was a letter written to the life of an evacues from the coast area of her desires to continue her education in an American university. It amends that I was formerly associated with the work of the american Fried Service Committees. An attached letter written to the first by a mentions among other things, "We are not able to tell yet just how we will cut the matter of transferring students from the evacuation centers into cooling to know that 400 Co's eare coming in every months."

on the stationery of the land comments this letter mentions, The canses situation is really beyond description. Saturday, I wont down to the Japanese Christian Church where a thousand Japanese people were lined up at the curb, to see the and her little family off for the Pomons Fair Cround only comment was, We do lock like migrants, don't we, and I gloss ares! Although the Government is trying its best to be humanitarian in the



"procedure, the assignment of uprocting 100,000 people is too much for any humanitarian approach to do the situation. Housing at the present has meant mixing of families, six, seven, and eight in two very small rooms, some of which are horse stalls; there is no recreation equipment or books, only long hours without occupation or creative outlete. The first hand stories utterly to be counted on are beyond description. I have never had anything so completely take hold of me as this particular problem. It makes me realize how impotent I have been as a citizen; how untrained I am in political action; how completely we have handed over the determining of many basic policies to secmomic and political pressure groups.

and the committee which we have formed on the West Coal are doing a variant job. By all means, urge your collegs to accept Japanese students, to prepare the ground for them, and simply to take them into the student body not as Exhibit A, but as part of the campus life. I feel so sur it can be done and equally sure that the Student Christian Movement will have to carry a lion's share of a tremendous undertaking."

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

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REPORT MADE AT DATE WHEN MADE PERIOD FOR REPORT MADE BY PHILADELPHIA, PA. 7/16/42

6/12,13/42

CHARACTER OF CASE

Camerican friends service committee

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

TITLE

Committee founded in 1917 as religious, charitable, welfare and peace organization by Quakers and Society of Friends; serving as relief agency to alien refugees regardless of race, creed or color; maintains advisory counsel for conscientious objectors. Expressed policy is anti-war. Conducts institutes, peace seminars, maintains schools, and publishes peace, charity and social welfare literature; is presently cooperating with FBI furnishing information concerning conscientious objectors. Committee has been requested by ashington, to develop a program of education at American Universities for Japanese American students in prohibited areas. Program approved by War Department. Activities of and and V set forth.

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This investigation is predicated upon the. receipt of information that the subject in this case has been suspected of being affin liated with un-American or subversive activities. Copies of this report are being furnished to the Huntington Field Division which by teletype dated May 26, 1942, requested information on the American Friends Service Committee and its alleged officers,

Investigation of the American Friends Service Committee conducted by the Philadelphia Police Department May 14, 1942, reflected that the Committee is a charitable organization supported by the Quakers and Friends of this country and in several other parts of the world.

Information contained in the files of the Philadelphia Field Division reflects that the organization was founded in 1917 and represents the Society of Friends and Quakers in the field of social action. It also enlists all other like-minded people of all denominations. The Committee has served as a relief agency to alien refugees, regardless of race, creed or color.

Prior to the entry of the United States in the present war, representatives of the organization were outspoken in their declaration that they conscientiously objected to active participation in the war by the United States and were in favor of a negotiated peace. The Committee has been very cooperative in furnishing information concerning conscientious objectors to the Philadelphia Field Division.

Special Agent advised the writer that of the Committee, had been very cooperative in furnishing information in conscientious objector and Selective Service cases.

delphia, a member of the Committee, on December 27, 1941, furnished the following information to Special Agent

The American Friends Service Committee has served for twenty years as a relief agency to refugees, particularly alien refugees. It is presently concerned with aiding aliens, but wishes to cooperate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Information received from Confidential Informant (), whose identity is known to the Bureau, is set forth as follows:

The American Friends Service Committee had stated that Japanese American college students vacated from the Pacific Coast will have an opportunity to continue their studies in inland universities and colleges.

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organization has accepted responsibility for developing a program whereby more than one thousand Japanese American students could be re-established in schools on the request of said in a letter to the Committee, "It is not feasible for the Government to undertake the program, but this in no way detracts from the desirability of such an accomplishment."

On May 26, 1942, the Philadelphia Office received from the Huntington Field Division a teletype advising that and and alleged officers in the American Friends Service Committee, are residing in Cacapon State Park, Berkeley Springs, West Virginia, and are receiving mail containing seditious statements against the United States and criticism of the treatment of Japanese in evacuation from the Facific Coast. It was alleged further that the Committee is supposed to be active in securing release of Japanese students from internment camps in order to continue their studies at American universities.

It was alleged further that the Committee is believed to be active in urging young people to register as conscientious objectors and to solicit for volunteers for peace service seminars. The Huntington Field Division requested that information also be furnished concerning one that the Committee and peace seminars.

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organization which reflects the following as officers:

CLARENCE E. PICKETT, Executive Secretary, RUFUS M. JONES, Chairman,

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PEACE SECTION

WILLIAM R. FOGG, Treasurer,

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A copy of the letterhead is being retained in the exhibit file of the Philadelphia Office.

Committee, advised the writer that he recently returned from a trip to California, and on May 14, 1942, conducted a meeting for the benefit of the Japanese in the Philadelphia area. In his speech to the Japanese, explained the problems confronted during evacuation on the Pacific Coast and suggestions on how to meet the problems.

explained he was familiar with the local Japanese and was interested in furnishing to them all possible rolief and advice To the best of his knowledge, he stated that there were approximately fifty Japanese in Philadelphia. Leavelained that the Committee has been cooperating with the Government in conscientious objector problems and in the problems arising from the evacuation of Japanese Americans from the Facific Coast war zones. In order that the exact nature of the work done by the Committee, concerning education of Japanese and solving Japanese problems, may be known.

respectively. The copies of the letters, which are being retained by the Philadelphia Field Division as exhibits, are set forth as follows:

"Dear

"The American Friends Service Committee can make a significant contribution to the program of the War Relocation Authority.

"As you know, evacuation of Japanese aliens and Americancitizen Japanese is now under way on the Pacific Coast. Nost evacuees will move from the prohibited zone to relocation centers managed by WRA. At these centers we shall be able to provide for elementary and high school education. We cannot, of course, establish new universities.

"Many eminent educators have urged that university students in the prohibited zone be permitted to transfer to midwestern colleges and universities where they may continue their education. Certainly I agree that this would be desirable.

""It is not feasible for the War Relocation Authority to undertake such a university program for American-citizen Japanese, but this in no way detracts from the desirability of such an accomplishment. Consequently, I should like to ask that you establish a committee which would aid you in formulating a set of policies and program. Such a program will involve the selection and certification of students at assembly or relocation centers, a phase of the task that must, of course, be handled by the Federal Government. It will involve transportation of students from the prohibited zone to a designated university, a function which I think may also be handled by WRA, just as it transports all evacuees from the prohibited zone to their war-duration homes. It involves the development of true understanding of this whole problem in many universities as a prerequisite to the students and faculty of those universities making arrangements for the reception of American-citizen Japanese. Finally, it involves either work opportunities or non-Federal funds for the support of students at the universities.

"I should like to have you not only bring together a committee to formulate a program but also to do the necessary follow-through work which will be necessary if this program is to be realized. Let me emphasize that the Federal Government for the protection of the students themselves and to re-assure the public will make individual examinations and give individual certifications. This, however, is only half of the matter it is equally necessary to see to it that difficulties would not develop in the new locations to which the students would go.

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"I handed to the roughest sort of suggested press release. I am anxious that some announcement be made early this week so that the people on the Coast who are concerned about this problem will not be completely discouraged.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Dear C:

has sent me a copy of his letter of Lay 5th to you, regarding the working out of a program of university education for Japanese-American citisens who are now being evacuated from the Facific Coast. He has suggested that you and your committee would find it helpful to receive from me an expression of approval of a properly conceived and carefully executed program in this respect.

"Accordingly, I take pleasure in advising you that I am in complete sympathy with the suggestions made by "The sympathy with the suggestions made by "The sympathy with the suggestions made by "The sympathy in his letter to you of lay 5th. Anything that can legitimately be done to compensate loyal citizens of Japanese ancestry for the dislocation to which they have been subjected, by reason of military necessity, has our full approval. In particular, the suggestion for the establishment of a committee of distinguished educators to work out a program of university education in other parts of the country for Japanese-American citizens evacuated from the Pacific Coast meets with my hearty approval.

"I am happy to know that this committee is being formed under your sponsorship and that of the American Friends Service Committee.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

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Concerning criticisms directed against the Government in the evacuation of Japanese Americans on the Pacific Coast, that atted that the Committee objects to the discrimination directed against American citizens of Japanese descent in the evacuation from the war zone areas on

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the Pacific Coast. He stated that the Committee was not criticizing the evacuation of aliens, but it did feel that the Americans of Japanese descent should not be discriminated against, and that regulations should be applied equally to Germans, Italians and Japanese.

Pamphlets secured from the Committee reflect that the Religious Society of Friends, from its origin in the seventeenth century to the present time, has continuously held that war and Christianity are incompatible; and therefore as Christians, they cannot under any circumstances support or prepare for war. Various pamphlets depict the work of the Committee in conducting institutes, peace seminars, social welfare work and charity work of all types.

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G-2 WDC & Fourth Army Presidio of San Francisco July 8, 1942

Subject: AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COLDUITEE

Summary of Information:

Recent activity of the AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE has made it advisable that a summary on subject organization be prepared for dissemination and that information available in other agencies be solicited.

The FRIENDS is a Quaker organization with headquarters in Philadelphia, Pa., at 20 South 12th Street. Subject group, a section of the WAR. RESISTER'S INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF INTERNATIONAL ANTI-MILITARISTS GROUPS. was registered with the Secretary of State on November 9, 1939, as an organization engaged in the solicitation and collection of contributions to be used for relief in belligerent countries. Committee organization is as follows: Chairman, RUFUS M. JOMES; Secretary, E. RAYMOND WILSON; Executive Secretary, CLARENCE P. PICKETT; Treasurer, WILLIAM R. FOGG. JONES is known to have made speeches before Pacifist groups, and WILSON, although publicly criticizing HITLER, has declared himself in favor of a negotiated peace. A pamphlet entitled "The Society of Friends in Regard to War" was issued in Cincinnati, Ohio, by subject group, which stated that war and Christianity are incompatible; therefore they, as Christians, cannot support war. CLARENCE PICKETT is known to have mailed a form letter to the President in the name of the POST WAR WORLD COUNCIL, the specific purpose of which was to urge extension to Japanese aliens of the right to a hearing before civilian boards to attest their loyalty. One GEORGE KNOX ROTH, a representative of the AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE, AMERICAN QUAKER GROUP, headquarters at 554 East Orange Grove Avenue, Pasadena, California, has also been an active opponent of Japanese evacuation from the West Coast.

It is believed that there are 19 members of the FRIENDS in Mexico at present, in the vicinities of Torreon, Coah., Durango, Dgo., and Vera Cruz, Veracruz. The boys are occupied in such work as draining swamps and minor construction, while the girls are doing gratuitous recreational work for the Mexican people, the purpose of which is the improvement of international relations between the United States and Mexico. In most cases the boys have been granted permission by their draft boards to engage in this work for 6 months. It is reported that many members of the FRIENDS are engaged in similar free work among the migrating workers in the United States.

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It is believed that the AMEPICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE is a bona fide organization whose aims and principles, although presently at variance with the public war attitude, are sincere and well-meant. One of the sub-committees of the FRIENDS on the west coast is the STUDENT RELOCATION COMMITTEE, which is recognized by the WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY as the only group allowed to canvass the Japanese reception centers for students to attend universities in the central and eastern states, and so aid in the problem of rehabilitation. These altruistic programs, however, are frequently misused by undesirable elements, and it is for this reason that the FRIENDS COMMITTEE is an organization whose activities should be followed. As an example, a recent list of 32 names of persons requesting permission to visit Japanese camps for relocation purposes exposed four(4) as being undesirable. Two (2) of these are potentially dangerous; they are:

AMELISE JOHANNE BARKHUUS, 2515 Regent Street, Berkeley, Calif.

A German alien who is on parole from custodial detention.

SIGFRIED VON CIRIACY WANTRUP, Berkeley, California, native German known to be pro-nazi.

The above list will indicate how unwanted individuals are attempting to become associated with the FRIENDS and to enjoy benefits of their unusual activities.

It is further believed that the FRIENDS, who in the main are conscientious objectors, are being used as a refuge for draft evaders. The work camps in Mexico are believed to be particularly popular with such people. One CLARENCE D. YOUNG, formerly at the Veracruz camp, and now in Los Angeles, has mentioned the progress being made in recruiting new members to the FRIENDS, attitude toward war. YOUNG is a conscientious objector awaiting notification to proceed to the SAN DIMAS camp for conscientious objectors.

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INTERNAL SECURITY: SEDITION.

There is transmitted herewith for your consideration a photostatic copy of a booklet entitled "May They Cannot Go to War" together with a photostatic copy of a bouflet entitled "A Frayer to be Used by Those of Braft Age".

In this connection I wish to advise that the enclosed material was published jointly by the above organizations, and this Hirsun has no information as to the extent of the distribution.

Rill you kindly advise if the enclosed material constitutes a violation of any Federal Statute and if any action is desired by this Jureau on the basis of this material.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director In the last war there was a provision in the draft law exempting from armed service only those individuals who belonged to certain religious sects. In practice Woodrow Wilson extended exemption from armed service to people of other denominations and even to those who were opposed to war on grounds other than religious.

The present conscription act providing for conscientious objectors is evidence of the characteristic American determination to preserve individual religious freedom. It is a traditional American belief that a stable society can be built only if the integrity of its members is maintained and developed. The interests of the state require that the conscription law be administered so as to discover those services which individual citizens are, under the dictate of their conscience, best fitted to render to their country and fellow men. Thus will the integrity of its citizens be maintained and their loyalty to the state be enhanced and given its most adequate expression.

WHY THEY CANNOT GO TO WAR...

No. 165 20M 10-40

Published jointly by

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

20 South Twelfth Street

Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM
1924 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

tious objector. The law states "that nothing tained in this act shall be construed to requ person to be subject to combatant traini service in the land or naval forces of the States who, by reason of religious training lief, is conscientiously opposed to participa war in any form." The law goes on to provide and means by which the good faith of the co tious objector shall be determined and to that those of good faith be assigned to p "work of national importance under civilian tion." A wise administration of this provi the law can result in enriching the state citizens; an unwise administration can onl in bringing into direct and unnecessary with the state those citizens who are seekir in which they may reconcile love of God w of country.

The law applies to people of religious t and belief. It deliberately avoids mention of bership in any church. Evidently the inten law is that conscience should not be looked a monopoly of any church, or even of the *as a whole, but that it should be a matter vidual attitude. Many who come before th boards will not have any church members their opposition to war will stem back in ligious training from their home, their seh other experiences. There will be another g sincere, loyal citizens who are unable to ta in war because they see its futility and its co waste. And there are those humanitarians v unable to take part in war on ethical and grounds.

realize that in time of war loyalty to God and loyalty to the state seem to come into direct conflict. However, the conscientious objectors are not opposed to serving the state in its constructive processes. They are eager to do that. Their opposition is to war and conscription; they believe that war itself is so great an evil that their loyalty to both God and their country compels them to refrain from participation in it. This they look upon as one of the greatest services anyone can render to the state.

The government must decide whether people who conscientiously follow their conception of Christianity or other religious faiths are a detriment or an asset to the state. Will it profit the state to punish or kill those whose first loyalty is to a universal God and a brotherhood of all mankind, and who seek to serve the state by extending these ideals? Will the physical, mental and spiritual fibre of the conscientious objector be broken or toughened by persecution? Conscientious objectors are willing to serve their fellow men loyally in difficult tasks if they are permitted to do work which their conscience does not forbid. The state could wisely use this willingness to serve in ways which would advance the well-being of the state and at the same time that of the religious pacifist.

The early Christian church remained pacifist for nearly 200 years. Members of the Society of Friends or Quakers first testified to their refusal to resort to the war method almost three centuries ago. Declarations of the same nature were made at about that same time by two other groups, the Mennonites and the Church of the Brethren.

The Quakers, for example, in 1660 state objections in the following words to Charling of England:

"We utterly deny all outward wars as strife, and fightings and outward weapor for any end, or under any pretence what ever; this is our testimony to the who world. The Spirit of Christ by which ware guided, is not changeable, so as command us from a thing of evil ar again to move us into it; and we certain know, and testify to the world, that it Spirit of Christ, which leads us unto a truth, will never move us to fight and we against any man with outward weapon neither for the Kingdom of Christ, no for the kingdom of this world... Therefore, we cannot learn war any more."

Other religious faiths and organization high moral or spiritual purposes have receithat war is not an acceptable method by we seek to obtain the high ideals of man. In pain which our country has been involved, known number of conscientious objector come from such faiths and organizations pacifists of the world have long advocated and program of international and international in political, economic and other which, had it been followed, would have promuch of the strife now destroying manking

Great Britain passed its conscription law time it declared war. The law makes liber visions for conscientious objectors. Its pro are not limited to objection based on religiouing or belief. It provides for complete exe for the individual who cannot accept compulsory service of any kind under the state. Something of the spirit of British liberalism toward the conscientious objector appears in the Manchester Guardian of August 23, 1940 (page 118), published in London in the midst of the life and death struggle going on there.

"The Archbishop of York (Dr. Temple) writes in the York Diocesan leaflet:

Several public hodies have lately passed resolutions terminating the employment of any persons working for them who have pleaded conscientious objection to military service.

I regard this as utterly deplorable and in the deepest sense unpatriotic. We are fighting for freedom, including freedom of conscience as its most vital and sensitive element. The State has recognized the reality of conscientious objection to military service, and it is part of our glory that it does this.

There is excellent reason for saying that if a man is called up and refuses to serve he shall be put at once in the same financial position as if he were serving in the forces. He ought not to gain financially by his refusal to serve. But to deprive him of employment is to frustrate the action of the State and destroy our most effective witness to our own cause."

Under the Selective Service Training Act signed by the President of the United States on September 16, 1940, provision has been made for the conscienThe existence of American citizens who cann participate in any form of war is recognized by t Selective Service Training Act. A wide-spre understanding of why such individuals exist and knowledge of their background is essential to t successful carrying out of this legislation.

Far back through the centuries there have be those who have found themselves unable to ta the lives of their fellow men either in order to fe ward their own advantage or at the command any external authority. Prominent among the motives have been religious concepts, based on awareness of God and an acceptance of the brothhood of man. To Christians, Jesus Christ has terpreted a way of life based on love of God a man, and the idea of overcoming evil with go In the light of his awareness of God and his hi sense of loyalty to Jesus, the Christian paci: forms a judgment as to whether war is a prot and effective instrument for man to use in gaini his ends. His judgment is that it is not. This jud ment is shared by most of mankind up to the ti when, gripped by fear or hatted or greed, they c brace the war method. The pacifist maintains the beliefs even in the face of war, threatened agr sion or other evils.

Nor is the pacifist unwilling to pay for his evictions. Although in the past they have been edemned to prison and some to death, like the leline of religious martyrs, they have willingly dured punishment for their deep belief.* The

^{*}In the United States, during the last World War, 17 seendemned to death, 142 to life imprisonment and many of to terms from 5 to 25 years. These sentences were all committee the war.

A PHAYER TO BE USED BY THOSE OF DRAFT AGE.

My Heavenly Father, give me, I pray Thee, the courage to refuse to kill my Fellow Man.

Help me to realize that war accomplishes nothing constructive even when it is fought for a righteous cause.

Make me willing to serve my country, not only for a year, but all my life in any way that will not destroy or injure any other human being.

Help me to remember that those whom I may learn to kill and be urged to kill; in any other nation, are as dear to those who love them, as my family and I are to each other. Help me to conquer the forces of aggression, wherever they are, by following such men as Jesus who overcame Evil with Good.

Amen.

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL! AND REPER TO

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON, D.C.

September 14, 1942

MELIORANDULI FOR THE DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Re: American Friends Service
Committee
Women's International
League for Peace and
Freedom

Your memorandum of September 8, 1942, together with photostatic copies of a hooklet entitled "Thy They Cannot Go to War" and a leaflet entitled "A Prayer to be used by Those of Draft Age", has been received.

Prosecution under the sedition statutes is not warranted on the basis of the contents of such booklet and leaflet. The Criminal Division does not desire further action in this matter.

Respectfully,

Assistant Attorney General



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Our Way in the Midst of War

Statement by the Executive Committee of the Fellowship of Reconciliation following Declaration of a State of War between the United States and Japan



THE FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION
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STAT_MENT BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION

December 9, 1941

THE FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION was born in war-time. It began in England in 1914 and was extended to the United States in 1915, as a movement of Christian protest against war and of faith in a better way than vio lence for the solution of all conflict. Today it has over twenty five thousand members in countries encircling the globe.

The fact that our own beloved country has now again beer openly and fully drawn into war does not alter our opposition to all war or our refusal, in so far as we are free to determine our own course, to take any part in war measures. We remain as our Statement of Purpose has these many years declared "a group of men and women of many nations and races who recognize the unity of the world-wide human family and wish to explore the possibilities of love for discovering truth, dispelling antagonisms, and reconciling people, despite all differences, in a friendly society."

This War

Shocked as we are by the manner in which the Japanese-American conflict was precipitated, and conscious of the gravity and complexity of the problems confronting our government, we nevertheless do not accept the too common notion that the sole guilt for this war rests upon Japan. The guilt rests also upon the United States and other nations. The invasion of Asia and the subjugation of its peoples by western Powers, including ourselves; the insistence of these nations on keeping

their anned forces in the Orient in order to manuain their control over strategic raw materials; their tariff policies; our Oriental Exclusion Act branding the Japanese as an inferior people and our stubborn refusal to initiate a policy of reconcilitation in the Pacific by the repeal of this Act; our devious course in recent years of selling war materials to Japan and at the same time making loans to China—these and similar policies were factors in bringing the Japanese military clique into power and bringing the present awful tragedy upon the peoples of Japan, America, and other lands. Repentance on the part of all nations is, we believe, the supreme need of this hour.

We have no confidence that this war will help to advance or conserve our democracy or international security. It will postpone rather than promote the building of an orderly and decent world. Indeed, with the entry of the United States into the war it becomes a veritable world war on a hitherto unprecedented scale, a war which threatens to drag on indefinitely and to engulf all peoples in nameless disaster. There are already alarming indications that even if at not too distant a date one side or the other wins a fairly decisive victory, it will impose a terrible revenge upon the vanquished on the plea of forever stripping them of the power to do harm and that in the name of "peace" and a "New Order" the victors will attempt to establish a world-embracing military tyranny.

Even if we could anticipate better results from the waging of war, it would be impossible for us in good conscience to participate in it, for to us all war involves, as the Oxford Ecumenical Conference declared, "compulsory enmity, diabolical outrage against human personality, and a wanton distortion of truth. War is a particular demonstration of the power of sin in the world and a defiance of the righteousness of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and Him Crucified."

Fidelity to Our Gospel

The "better way" of non-violence and reconciliation is to us a religion and a gospel. The burden of preaching and living that gospel and of seeking to win men to an inner commitment to it is upon us in time of war as in time of peace. We cannot recognize the moral right of any man or human institution to silence the preaching of this our faith which is rooted in the great Jewish-Christian prophetic tradition.

In bearing witness to our faith in love and reconciliation, and expressing opposition to the method of war, it is not likely that our members will always follow the same course or agree completely in their analysis of events. As our Statement of Purpose has always made clear, it is intended that they shall work out the purposes to which they are committed in their own ways. All of us, however, regard respect for the conscience of the individual as basic to our faith. As in the case of the conscientious objectors under Selective Service, therefore, we will give our prayers, affection, and full support to our members as in concrete situations they seek to obey the leading of the Spirit as it is given them in prayer, corporate and personal.

Not Obstruction

We recognize, also, the sincere depth of conviction of many who feel that war preparation and war under present circumstances are inevitable and necessary. We realize the sacrifices they may be called upon to make and the suffering they may have to endure. Their grief will be our grief. We pray that God may bless them and that His Spirit may guide them and us into all truth. With those of them who are members of the Christian Church we long to maintain "the full fellowship of

the body of Christ." We know that they must audow conscience as we must follow ours.

Though we would that all men might come to a contious renunciation of war and might enter into that spirit "taketh away the occasion of all war," we disclaim any put to sabotage or obstruct the war measures of our governor any officials, soldiers, or citizens, in the performance of they regard as their patriotic duty.

Our Tasks

Grateful as we are today for the establishment of the Fe ship of Reconciliation during the last war, and for its wand and its work through all the years, we must in this solemn confess that we have often not been willing to pay the price of being effective "peace-makers." Therefore we now:

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- 1. Deepen our own spiritual life and improve our ilectual equipment by a more severe discipline in prayer work, in personal relationships, in the cultivation of hum In the great words of Jacques Maritain, we must "purify springs of history which are within ourselves" and en in "that secret labor" of penitence, meditation, and proby which those of a little faith raise, first of all in the selves, the level of mankind's spiritual energy."
- 2. Build and hold together our local groups and pateams. In them the Fellowship can and will live on what betide. Deliberate efforts must be made to keep up thropersonal contact or correspondence the fellowship with lated pacifists.
- 3. Make it possible by gifts and work and prayer to tinue the work of our national and regional offices and field workers.

- 4: Jimilarly sustain the work of the International F.O.R. so that throughout all lands we still may be welded together in those "little fellowships of the holy imagination which keep alive in men sensitivity to moral issues" and to human need, and faith in the Eternal.
- 5. Organize maximum support for non-partisan relief work such as that of the Society of Friends for refugees, prisoners of war, etcetera, and of the F.O.R.'s Feed Europe Fund. In this connection many members and groups have adopted the practice of a fast or simplified meal at least once each week as one small way to enter into the suffering of their fellows. Whether by this or other means, all of us are moved to explore ways of simplifying our living and to give more sacrificially to human need.
- 6. Work for the maintenance, nationally and in our local communities, of civil liberties, the right of labor to organize and of pacifist ministers to preach, complete freedom of worship, and for keeping open the channels of discussion regarding all public issues except those which are in the strict sense military secrets.
- 7. Labor to strengthen the foundations of American democracy by seeking to discourage and prevent all forms of war profiteering and to put an end to all unbrotherly economic arrangements under which many are in want and others have disproportionate wealth to their own souls hurt.
- 8. Inquire into the bases for a just and durable peace and urge increasing and determined effort for peace by reason and conciliation instead of by the arbitrament of war. In this connection we continue to advocate the Eight Ways of Building Peace recommended by our Conference at Lakeside last September.
- 9. Continue our training in the spirit and methods of non-violence in combatting discrimination and injustice against individuals and groups and achieving a just and humane social order.

16. Contribute prayer, money, and moral support, as they may be needed, to all conscientious objectors, the C.P.S. camps, and pacifists who may suffer privation or persecution for conscience's sake.

11. Extend and intensify our work as individuals and groups for human betterment and reconciliation in the community. In war-time pacifists more than ever must be workers and practical friends, and not mere talkers, in every community and church.

Complicated and delicate problems will increasingly arise for pacifists as they seek to maintain a clear witness against war and to dissociate themselves from war activities and at the same time demonstrate their readiness to serve human need at cost to themselves. No cut and dried, universally applicable formulas can be worked out for such problems. The Divine Spirit will guide individuals and groups in finding the way to express the spirit of truth and reconciliation in concrete situations. There are certain basic attitudes on which there would doubtless be general agreement:

- (a) We desire to keep out of organizations and activities which we feel to be mainly designed to supply war needs and to develop war psychology.
- (b) If we refrain from participating in training for certain forms of "defense" (against air raids, for example) because the attempt is made to conscript us for them, or because the organizations involved appear to be essentially part of the war-machine or because the chief object seems to be encouraging a war morale rather than meeting an imminent human need, we must recognize that we have a responsibility for acquiring training in first aid, etcetera, under other auspices, so that in case of catastrophes we may be in a position to perform skilled voluntary services,

such as "absolutist" C.O.s in England have done in bombed cities through their Pacifist Service Units.

- (c) So far as possible we shall strive to give our money to causes which must depend largely or exclusively upon pacifists for their maintenance, such as C.P.S. camps, families in distress because of pacifist convictions, etcetera, and we shall strive to get our fellow-citizens to regard this as legitimate "alternative service."
- (d) We shall seek out such social agencies as are likely to be neglected in war-time and individuals and groups neglected and discriminated against by others as a result of war-hysteria or mere pre-occupation with other things. This would include interned Japanese, Germans, Italians, and other war-sufferers in this country. There is very high authority for service to "the least of these" impoverished, sick, or in prison.

Trusting in God, we meet this hour without dismay. "God hath not given us a spirit of fearfulness, but of power and love and discipline." We know that "they that wait for the Lord shall renew their strength." Despite the human foolishness and sin which mark us all and which have sundered us into warring nations, we are all children of the one Father who is eternal God and whose name is Love. His Kingdom will come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

The Annual Conference which met at Haverford in September, 1939, as the war broke in Europe, ended its message with these words: "Firm in our faith in the way of peace and in the God of Love, and remembering in gratitude and affection those who bore witness to this Fellowship faith in the last War, we dedicate ourselves now to the daily practice of this faith in repentance, humility, love, and joy." This declaration we reaffirm today and commend to all the members of our far-flung Fellowship of Reconciliation.

WAR DEPARTMENT Hilitary Intelligence Service Washington SEP 19 1942

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Letter of Transmittal.

To:

Lt. Col. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice

The attached communications are forwarded for your informa-

tion and such action as you consider advisable,

For the Chief, Military Intelligence Service:

Colonel, General Staff, Asst. Executive Officer, N. I. S.

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Presidio of San Francisco,

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ADERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE.

Summary of Information:

- 1. Reference is made to Summary of Information, this office, subject as above, file (CIB) 7390(6-29-42), dated July 8, 1942.
- 2. Administration of twenty-two CIVILIAN FUBLIC SERVICE Camps for Conscientious Objectors throughout the nation has been placed in the hands of the so-called "Peace Churches" -- BRETHERN, MENNONITES, and QUAKERS -- by the provisions of the Selective Service Act. Each of these three denominations set up a Committee with a national director or efecutive pecretary. Closely associated with the three Service Committees are the YELL DUSHIP OF RECONCILIATION, THE MODELISCION ON ALIENG AND PRISONERS OF WAR, IN MODELITE ON NATIONAL SECURITY AND FAIRPLAY, THE MUDENT RELOCATION CONSISTED and the MINISTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, all of which have representatives on the facility Coast who have been active in assisting conscientious objectors.
 - 3. Representatives of the STUDENT RELOCATION COMMITTEE have been visiting evacuated Japanese in the assembly and relocation centers for the purpose of enrolling Japanese students in Universities and Colleges located in the central and eastern States as a rehabilitation project.
 - 4. The FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION with offices adjacent to the FRILNDS CHURCH in Berkeley, California, has departed from the field of assisting conscientious objectors by publicly criticizing the Japanese evacuation program and the facilities provided by the War Relocation Authority. A pamphlet published by this organization on December 9, 1941, entitled in Way in the Midst of War", contains the following statement:

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common notion that the sole guilt of this war restsupon Japan. The guilt rests also upon the United States and other nations".

5. ALLEN H. RARR, executive secretary of the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SERVICE BOARD FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS, has headquarters with the FELLOW-SHIP OF RECONCILIATION in Berkeley. BARR's name also appears on the letterhead of the INSTITUTE OF INTERNATY HAL RELATIONS. Associated with BARR is an aggressive individual named CALER OOTE, who is the author of several pamphlets published jointly by the above mentioned Pacifist organizations. While BARR and FOOTE share offices and work together in assisting conscientious objectors, the former does not support FOOTE's attitude towards the Japanese and when FOOTE advised the confidential informant of this office that $^{ ext{fi}}$ the Japanese are gettin- a raw deal, and I am trying to help them", Mr. BARR took pains to explain that Mr. FOOTE was speaking for himself and not for the FELLO/SLIP OF RECURCILIATION or the SERVICE BOARD FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTO'S. Similarity in style between FOOTE's signed pamphlets and the unsigned booklet published by the COLOMADO COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, entitled "The Japanese in Our Lidst", which was the subject of a special report to MIS, G-2, War Department, July 13, 1942, indicates that CALEB FOOTE may have been the author of pro-Japanese propaganda published in Denver. FOOTE speaks as he writes, in an outspoken manner which is not wholly consistent with his pacifistic views.

6. FR. FRANK HERRON SIITH of Berkeley, California, is president of the PROTESTANT COLLISSION FOR JAPANESE SERVICE, an organization closely allied with the COLHISSION ON ALIEMS AND PRISONERS OF WAR. The PROTESTANT COLHISSION FOR JAPANESE SERVICE includes representatives from all Protestant Churches on the Pacific Coast. Attention is invited to a special report to MIS, G-2, War Department, August 15, 1942, subject "Church Interest in Japanese Evacuees", in which DR. STABLEY ARESTRONG HUNTER, Presbyterian member of the Committee, stated to a confidential informant of this office that "The Churches are striving to bring about the release of those Americanborn Japanese now in 'concentration camps'." It is noted that Irs. STANLEY A. HUNTER is a member of the Board of Directors of the BORTHERN CALIFORNIA SERVICE BOALD FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS of which ALLEN H. BARR is executive secretary.

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1. Pamphlet "Air Way in the Midst of War."

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Have We Forgotten Justice?

By CALEB FOOTE†

IF Army plans materialize, before this article is in print 112,000 persons, a majority of whom are American citizens, will have been evacuated from their homes on the West Coast!

Obviously this compulsory evacuation of those whose only crime is their Japanese ancestry is a flagrant violation of the 5th and 14th Amendments to the Constitution, and so a perversion of democracy itself. Obviously, too, it denies the Christian doctrine of the supr me worth of the individual. It is creating untold human suffering, both physical and psychological, and it is a scrious blow at interracial understanding and Japanese assimilation into American life.

Even more serious than these, however, is the fact that the evacuation heaps fuel on the fires of racial distrust, and lends authenticity to Japan's claims that this is a racial war. By putting many of our native-born citizens into "assembly" and "reception" centers—which, allowing for some differences, are virtually concentration camps—purely because of their race, our Government has aped the totalitarianism it is supposedly fighting. The peace that will follow the war is being made during the war and this treatment of innocent persons will not facilitate the creation of the state of mind necessary for gaining a good peace.

Background of Race Hatred

The background of what Life calls a "great and unprecedented migration" has been a vicious campaign of race hatred conducted in the Pacific Coast states. The anti-Japanese feeling that gave rise to it goes back forty years to a time when Japanese immigration into California was at its height. At first, these immigrants had been encouraged to come. They furnished cheap labor, and so were useful in breaking strikes and for field work. But these very "advantages" caused labor and small farming groups to resent their competition bitterly, and as time went on and the new racial group became more Americanized and acquired some economic power, the big economic groups who first welcomed them joined in opposing them. They were charged with destroying our standard of living, bringing in disease, being un-American and anti-Christian, and endangering our control by their own high birth-rate.

All of this resulted in the "Gentlemen's Agreement" restricting emigration from Japan, a series of land laws preventing Japanese aliens from owning or renting land, and the passage of the Exclusion Act in 1924. It is this latent race prejudice that has been whipped up anew since Pearl Harbor. Newspapers and politicians who just before the war commented on the "loyalty of the great majority" of Nitein and Istein," led the parade of intolerance a month or two later. The city of Los Angeles fired all of its American-born Japanese employees, and other cities followed its lead. The State Personnel Board discriminated

against citizen as well as alien Japanese, and the American Legion, County Boards of Supervisors, California Congressmen and others, joined newspaper editorial writers and columnists in urging complete evacuation. Early in January, job discrimination against aliens had become so severe that President Roosevelt called the firing of "honest and loyal people who, except for accident of birth, are sincerely patriotic" as "playing into the hands of the enemies of American democracy."

Meanwhile, anti-Japanese rumors and stories ran rife, purporting that "every Jap is a damned Jap," that they were poisoning vegetables and engaging in sit-down strikes, that there had been much sabotage in Hawaii, that all the Japanese in California were part of a well-organized fifth column. There is every reason to believe that persons or groups who hoped to gain from the evacuation had a major part in stirring up these irrational forces of racial prejudice. Big land-holding groups, laundries, and plant nurseries, who felt the competition of the Japanese, had a stake in the "internment," as did those who hoped to gain cheap, forced labor.

The defeats in the Far East, the shelling of an oil field near Santa Barbara, and the supposed air raid over Los Angeles, had much to do with a rise in anti-Japanese feeling that just preceded the evacuation order. Against this pressure were arrayed the efforts of the Japanese community to prove its loyalty, evidenced in the vigorous patriotism of the Japanese-American Citizens' League and heavy Japanese contributions to the Red Cross, U.S.O., Defense Bonds, etc. Some white groups made a notable effort to calm public opinion, and during the first two and one half months of war the Federal Government kept the hysteria somewhat within bounds.

On February 19, a sweeping proclamation by the President gave the War Department the power "to prescribe military areas from which any or all persons may be excluded." On March 3, General DeWitt issued the first of a sweeping series of proclamations resulting in curfews, travel bans, and evacuation from an extensive area reaching well inland from the Pacific Coast. In most of these actions, Japanese-American citizens were considered more dangerous than German of Italian aliens!

The "Need" for Evacuation

Explanations for the military necessity of the evacuation have assumed that sabotage was committed, that the Japanese as a racial group were a potential fifth column, or that the evacuation was necessary for the protection of the Japanese themselves.

Not until late in March were the widespread rumors of Japanese sabotage at Pearl Harbor disproved by the statement of the Honolulu Chief of Police, confirmed from other sources, that "there were no acts of sabotage committed in the city and county of Honolulu on December 7," and have not been reported since. This report dispunts all

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had access to the facts, is one of the strongest indictments of the Government. Likewise, no proved case of sabotage by a Japanese on the Pacific Coast, on or since December 7, has come to public attention. These facts still have not been sufficiently publicized, and unfounded rumors continue to circulate.

Undoubtedly some of the alien Japanese and perhaps a few of the citizens are disloyal; these persons, presumably, are among those taken into custody by the F.B.I. On the other hand, it should be pointed out that most Japanese aliens are not aliens by choice, but have not been permitted to become American citizens. There is absolutely no evidence to support the rumors that the Japanese, as a racial group, were either disloyal or an organized fifth column. Certainly many of them live near defense plants, and vital harbors, highways, railways and power lines, but so do millions of Americans, regardless of race, and to deduce disloyalty from this is absurd.

That the Japanese on the West Coast have been in danger because of their race since December 7, is acknowledged, and from that fact many believe that, however tragic it may be, the evacuation has been necessary for the protection of the japanese themselves. Some murders, supposedly by Filipinos, naturally created great fear among the Japanese but, since the first of the year, the number of these incidents has dropped off, and steps were taken to protect the Japanese in a way they should be protectedby increasing local police and F.B.I. aid. Evacuation amounts to compulsory protective arrest, which sets a dangerous precedent in dealing with racial minorities and, in the long run, greatly adds to the problem of the protection of this particular minority. Meanwhile, the social, psychological and human damage caused by the Government's policy is immensely more tragic than were the comparatively few cases of violence.

The economic loss to the Japanese and the Japanese-Americans has been tremendous. The estimated wealth of the group, \$500,000,000, has diminished greatly, possibly by as much as 75 or even 90 per cent. The loss of business, agricultural and professional positions, gained by slow and patient effort, means that the job of normal living in American communities once again has to be started almost from scratch.

Moreover, the effects upon our whole economy will be pronounced. The 23 per cent of the evacuees who are in agriculture produced 40 per cent of California's truck crops, and in Los Angeles County, where 25,600 of the county's 40,000 acres of producing farm land are affected, white replacements can be found to take over only a fraction of the land. In other fields, 5,000 gardeners in greater Los Angeles and many-nursery men and floriculturalists are irreplaceable; fish fanciers will miss the Nippon Goldfish Company, largest in the West; bacteriological research will miss the vital agre produced by a skilled young Nirei; school boards will have 20,000 fewer elementary pupils to plan for.

Some of the loss to the Japanese is directly attributable to profiteering, where expensive electric refrigerators, radios, etc., went for a song; more of it is due to the major unemployment and financial problem that has struck them as a racial group since December, 7, and to the Joseph

Civil liberties have suffered a heavy blow, too, for, as the American Civil Liberties Union recently pointed out, this action undermines the very basis of constitutional government and means that the Bill of Rights is not applicable in any area declared military by the Government. The equal protection of the Government has been denied these people who should have equal rights for participation in community life, due process of law, and so on.

Suffering in Internment

Psychological and physical suffering is the inevitable accompaniment of life in what is essentially a concentration camp. Some of the evacuees, particularly the idealistic Niseis, are resolved to make the most of this hardship, and are going through with it in a spirit of love and a determination to train themselves and others for a better future. But for more of the Niseis, the effect of having their property destroyed, their hopes for the future dashed, and chances for normal living ended is one of at least partial disintegration of personality. There is a fear that they will be moved out into the desert and left there for many years, forgotten by white Americans, and the moral problem that has arisen in most of the camps is an indication of the psychological frustrations that exist.

Living conditions are very crowded, with rooms twenty by twenty-five feet intended to accommodate ten people. Eating is communal, and privacy will be a thing almost unknown. A Nisei girl, commenting on the unpleasant climate at Manzanar, describes the dust that covers everything, the extreme heat that makes her dread the summer, and the lack of anything creative to do. First-hand reports of visitors to the camps and the Niseis who are in them do not bear out the romanticised stories that have appeared in the press, and emphasize the great suffering that results when so many persons are detained on the desert in close quarters.

Racial understanding has been dealt a severe blow, for increased segregation of the Japanese, with corresponding lack of assimilation into the American community, is a feature of the plan. Where whites were coming into contact with the Japanese, they were losing some of their prejudice, and these contacts are now cut off. 'For the Nisei it means being thrown back into a racial consciousness which he considers secondary to American citizenship, while the white American sees all Japanese lumped together as disloyal and tends to regard them as inferior as a group.

Racial intolerance is increased and its solution postponed by the evacuation. In the immediate future the resettlement authorities of the Government will be under great pressure to release some of the Japanese to do work in the fields as labor gangs, or to participate in other anti-social ventures. Some of the Rocky Mountain and Middle Western states already are taking action to prevent any permanent resettlement of the Japanese within their boundaries, and there is every reason to believe that resettlement will become more and more difficult as time goes on. Representative Rankin, of Mississippi, urges that these unfortunates be kept in detention for the duration and then is shipped back to Japan, while other reactionaries are advocation a Constitutional Amendment to take a sum for the

The Challenge to Help

A few of these evacuees are pacifists; a great many of them are Christian communicants; still more are American citizens; all are human beings needing our love and help and friendship. So, whether we call ourselves pacifists or Christian or American or humanitarian, the evacuation presents a tremendous challenge. So far, most of the attempts to help have been alleviatory in nature. Some have belped in evacuation problems, such as moving, the storege of goods, renting houses, and protection against profiteers. At least two religious groups set up hostels to which early evacuees could go, and there have been other indications of the expression of love toward these people, the importance of which cannot be overstated. Nevertheless, this is not enough, for more than alleviation of immediate suffering is needed, and it is encouraging to note-*some Nisei groups planning for future cooperative settlements, and white students trying to help evacuated students become relocated in other areas.

The sharp distinction between aiding the processes of evacuation and detention and helping those individuals who need love and assistance must be maintained, for the evacuation and continued detention of these people is wrong and as such should be consistently opposed. The Government should not have yielded to the pressure for evacuation, and should now change its policy with a view to arranging immediately for fair public hearings for all now in the camps. Where no concrete evidence of guilt exists, citizens should be given unconditional release, and the aliens treated as are other enemy aliens, not as a racial minority. The present policy, looking toward the release of those who can prove their innocence, must be reversed, for the whole tradition of Anglo-Saxon common law is the presumption that a man is innocent until proved guilty, and in the present case the burden of proof rests upon the Government, not upon the evacuee.

These actions should be taken now, for the solution of the problems the evacuation has created will not be made easier by waiting until later. If action is postponed until the post-war period, it will be greatly complicated by the problem of resettling millions of soldiers and war industry workers at the same time. In addition, by admitting its mistake and rectifying it, our Government could contribute an encouraging boost to the forces of racial understanding. In a time when we are seeking to prove to the Negro that this is not just a white man's war, and trying to counteract Axis influence on colored peoples the world over, no action could be more pertinent.

If this measure is not opposed, there is no guarantee what group will be next, for what can happen to a Japanese racial minority can happen also to a Negro or Jewish minority. By our opposition and our attempt to bring the truth to the attention of the public we can contribute to building the peace, as knowledge of the truth and an attitude of racial tolerance among American citizens are prerequisites of any better world. We need to join in a recent concern of some Southern California Friends, prompted by the evacuation, to become a group which will "with love rather than malice, yet extensively speak at the present time, like the prophets of old, that

the historic principle of the Society of Friends that persons are more important than any theory needs special emphasis." Recognizing that such outspokenness may be "disastrous" and that "undoubtedly we shall reap what we have sown in our own apathy and indifference in the past," these Friends feel that they should publicly apologise for our national course of action and thus "completely identify ourselves with persons in other nations who find themselves caught in a similar, seemingly overwhelming situation."

Meanwhile we can cooperate with those who are seeking to make it possible for students and families from the detention camps to move into the Middle West and other areas of the country which will accept them. Our F. O. R. groups in inland areas can seek opportunities for students to enter colleges, jobs into which individuals can move and openings for families to settle in new homes. Groups on the Pacific Coast in turn can contribute information about Japanese who would fit in especially well in such a resettlement plan. All this information should be cleared through the Fellowship of Reconciliation, 2151 Vine St., Berkeley, Calif., from which it will be sent to whatever agencies are best able to deal with the individual case. In order to have a family or individual granted permission to come to a resettlement opening in the Middle West, the Government authorities will wish to know what college will definitely accept a student, or what economic arrangements can be made, guaranteeing a job or support; and what guarantees can be offered that the reaction of the community to the introduction of a few Japanese will not be too adverse. All F. O. R. groups in the Middle West offering opportunities for resettlement will have to meet these conditions, and the best way to do it probably will be to get a committee of prominent non-pacifist but liberal ministers, professors, etc., who will stand back of the plan.

Immediate Action

In seeking to bring about a change in the whole Government policy toward evacuation and continued detention, the best things to do are:

Study the whole subject with your peace team with the help of this article, the Christian Century, particularly the April 1, 1942 issue, and the Tolan Committee report of March 19 (obtained by writing Tolan Committee investigating National Defense Migration, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.).

Bring the truth of what is happening before the public, laying the whole matter upon the conscience of the churches, in an attempt to get local churches, home mission boards, etc., to realize the seriousness of the situation.

Protest in letters to the President, the Secretary of War, and your Congressmen, and in letters to newspapers and to friends.

Oppose such local discriminations as the recent action of Governor Ratner, of Kansas, who hanned Japanese and Japanese-Americans from that state.

Here is a task of major importance for those who believe in love as the means of "discovering truth, dispelling antagonisms, and reconciling people, despite all differences,

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THE CIVILIAN PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM in Northern California

COUNSELING SERVICE: Persons whose conscientions and religious training make participation in war impossible may obtain advice on draft procedure by consulting the Morthern California Service Dand for Conscientions Objectors, 1628 Spruce Street, Barkeley. (Phone Barkeley 3746)

CIVILIAN PUBLIC SERVICE CAMPS: Conscientious objectors who are given draft classification IV-E are now being assigned to government approved camps which are administered by the Friends, Brothron and Mennonites. Each camper works 4' hours a week on a cour project, designated by the government to be of national importance. Technical supervision of the part is provided by some civilian transle of the Sovernment, such as the U. S. Forest Service.

THEIR PURPOSE: From the view of the government, these camps provide labor necessary to carry on a valuable, nationally-important project, without cost to the government. On the other hand, persons assigned to camps recognize their own expertunity to render a constructive, non-military service to the community, thereby exemplifying the the long-range approach to peace.

PACIFIC COAST C.P.S. CAMPS: Persons selected for civilian service from Northern California are being sent to one of two camps: (a) CPS Camp #2 is near Pasadona, California. (Address: Oscar Marshburn, Director, Box 65. Glendora). Administered by the American Friends Service Committee with technical direction from the U.S. Forestry Service, this camp is operating a valuable experiment in vatershed management in the San Dimas Forest. (b) CPS Camp #21 is at Cascade Locks, Oregon, on the Columbia River. (Address: Mark Schrock, Director, Star Route, Cascade Locks). This camp is doing recreational and maintenance work under the Forest Service and is administered by the Brethren Scrvice Committee.

FINANCES: The \$21 paid to the soldiers each month is not paid to fellows assigned to the C.P.S. camps. On the contrary, those who are able to bear their ewn living expenses (\$35 a month) do so as evidence of their sincere willingness to serve their country in a truly constructive manner. If such expenses cannot be paid by the camper, by his family, friends, or church, they must ultimately rest upon the three educative agencies.

FORTHERN CALIFORNIA'S SHARE: To provide for the expenses of these campers from Morthern California whose expenses are not yet paid, there is needed \$991.51 for past costs, and \$175.00 a month for the future. As more boys are inducted into the camps, this need will increase.

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Many persons feel that those who have not yet been drafted should share with the three small administrative service committees the responsibility for camp expense. If you agree that Northern California aught to carry its share and if you are not already contributing elsewhere, you may want to contribute toward a special Northern California fund. Your gifts and monthly contributions may be sent to the Northern California Service Board for Conscientious Objectors, 1628 Spruce Street, Berkeley, California, which will forward the money to the American Friends. Service Committee, asking them to credit your church, the F.O.R. or any other organization you may designate.

Epistle to America

A letter from Hideo Hashimoto, pastor of the Japanese Methodist Church, Fresno, California, and member of the Fellowship of Reconciliation.

April 18, 1942

DEAR FRIENDS:

On the eve of evacuation, I greet you with mixed feelings. The swift current of events following the outbreak of the present war has disrupted the lives of many of us.

I must state at the outset that it has not all been unmixed evil. As a minister of Christ, I have gained valuable experience and opportunities of service that will strengthen and make more effective my ministry. But to the people whom I serve these months have been time of uncertainty, fear, and heartbreaking disappointments. Not that we have expected to lead normal lives, but it was a blow to America-loving, peaceful permanent residents who have lived in America thirty to fifty years, to be suddenly classified as "enemy aliens" and receive treatment as such.

The impact has been an especially hard one for the Nisei, the American citizens of Japanese parentage. They have no home but this—no allegiance but the United States. Already over five thousand are in the U. S. Army. Suddenly they awoke on the morning of March 3, and discovered to their utter bewilderment, that their own government has classified them as Class 3 "enemy aliens," ahead of German and Italian aliens.

As I go about busily engaged in welfare work among needy families; soliciting funds and food for welfare, understanding and aid from Caucasian friends; helping with registrations, disposal or storage of real and personal property; finding renters for houses and businesses; collecting junk; trying to preach to the being-disillusioned on the meaning of the Cross; providing nursery and recreational facilities; and writing these letters and articles to widely scattered friends (and forgetting about packing my things while going about urging others to do so in the face of imminent evacuation orders); being restricted to five miles and having to be in at 8:00 P. M., I cannot believe that only three and a half months ago I was travelling from one end of the continent to the other, attending the National Conference of Methodist Students at Urbana and visiting many of you.

In all these days, the heart-warming and encouraging experiences in the midst of darkness have been your thoughtful letters and the sympathy and help of these Caucasian friends who have helped us unstintedly. The real meaning of friendship, and of the Christian fellowship that transcends the barriers of race and nations stand out in clear-cut relief in these heart-breaking days.

What the future holds for us is very uncertain, except for the definite knowledge that there will be untold suffering. But it is not the physical suffering that is the most difficult for us. We are willing to go a second mile in

serving and suffering for our nation and for the principles for which she stands. But it is the feeling that we are men without a country, not by our choice but against our will by the decree of the Fourth Army.

However, when a feeling of being unjustly discriminated against is combined with physical hardship, it is next to unbearable. The Induction Centers where 3,000 to 10,000 people will be housed and fed "temporarily," have been built in about a week to ten days. There must be about fifteen or twenty of them, most of them in racetracks and county fairgrounds. Many of the durable buildings are made-over stables, but the majority of them are rough frame structures 20 feet by one hundred feet with small windows, tar-paper walls and roofs, and asphalt floors! About five families will be housed in each. Imagine a typical Japanese family of six or seven (not the average, because there are many newly-weds and single men and women) living in a single room twenty feet square, in these shacks during the typical Fresno summer weather of 105 degrees outside in the shade-perhaps 125 degrees inside (with asphalt floors!). No one knows where the people will be "relocated" from these centers. The Army has taken upon itself (or was forced by powerfully maneuvered minority "public" pressure) a task that is not its usual. The Army has done it as well as may be expected, but it is faced with almost insuperable difficulties.

I am to be evacuated and to enter into one of these concentration camps, for that is what they really are, with double barbed fences and all. Only families: men, women, children, sick, and invalid, are to be placed in them. I shall probably be responsible to between 3,000 and 5,000 souls in one of these, perhaps at Fresno Fairgrounds. Many old people will die. Many babies will be born and will die. (The largest group of Nisci is now in the early twenties). Many will pass away more because of the loss of all that they have worked for in their lifetime and the lack of something to live for.

I am to be their pastor, the minister of the Gospel. How am I to preach to them? I do not ask in resentment or cynicism. There is nothing in my heart but the feeling of responsibility and the task to be done. If I fail, who will undertake it? I even feel that it is my providential opportunity to serve the people and the Master. But more than ever before I feel humble in the face of the gigantic task. I need your help and your prayers.

"It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness." Let us all endeavor, in the name of our Master, to do our bit for His Kingdom in these days of darkness.

Yours in fellowship,

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February 2, 1942

Dear Triend:

Will it be possible for you to assist in maintaining the Civilian Public Service Camps for conscientious objectors? Explanations both of the services rendered by these camps and of the serious financial assistance needed appears on the enclosed page. If further information is desired, we shall gladly furnish it at your request.

As you may know, more than 22 of these camps are now administered nationally by the service committees of the Friends (Quakers), Brethran and Menmonites, who necessarily will bear the ultimate costs of all campers who have neither independent resources nor support from church or community. Since there are many such campers, even from Northern California, those of us who have not been drafted feel that it is our responsibility to assume a fair share of these expenses.

Perhaps you will want to recommend to your own group-whether it be a church, a young peoplo's league, or a committee interested in civil and religious libertice -- that a monthly pledge be made toward support of the camps. If you decide to make a personal pledge, you will find encouragement from the fact that the work of the camps has been recognized by the government to be work of national importance. Indeed, on several occasions contributions to the camps have been made as substitutes for defense stamps or bonds.

Whatever amount you can contribute will be welcomed. Your gifts will be forwarded to the Friends Service Committee, to be credited as you direct.

Sincerely yours,

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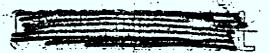
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at a meeting on the campus, that he had visited an enemy alien interment camp in Nontana, the Santa Anita Assembly Center, near Los Angeles, California, Camp Harmony, Puyallup, Washington, and the assembly center at Toppenish, Washington, where he had found that conditions were "terrible".

- 4. FRED BEST FARQUEARSON, University of Washington Civil Engineering Professor, notorious for his long record of radical and pacifist activities, is head of the Scattle Fellowinip of Engineering. He is also a number of the Alexican Civil Lieuthes union in Scattle. His wife, Mary Farquearson, Washington State Senator and newber of the Alexican Civil Lieuthes union, was instrumental in obtaining five Lieuthes union counsel for Golden involution HIRADAYASHI, presently in jail awaiting trial for violation of the evacuation order. Should HIRADAYASHI, who has requested classification as a conscientious objector, be so classified by his draft board, the FRIENDS SERVICE COMPITIES will provide financial assistance to him when he enters a CIVILIAN PUBLIC SERVICE CAUP.
- 5. While action has not actually urged Japanese evacues to become conscientious objectors, as indicated errorsecutly in paragraph 4, reference letter paragraph 1b above, both the FRENIS SERVISE CONSISTENT and the FRENCHSHIP OF RECOMMINATION in Seattle have been attempting to convert potential conscientious objectors to pacifist views, according to MARA 5 AS TALIVAN Seattle "Times" writer, who has made a study of activities of educatentious objectors at the University of Washington. SULLIVAN further stated in an interview with a Special Agent from the Seattle Branch Office, A2 of S, G-2, NDC and 4th Army, that representatives or the FRIENDS SERVICE CONSISTENT and the FILLIUMINE OF RECOMMINISTED are apparently deliberately misrepresenting conditions at Camp Barmony to other persons as being bad.
- 6. At a meeting in the ENGINEERS CLUB in Scattle on August 27, 1942, . SCHICE denounced the Japanese evacuation and claimed that it was making Fifth-Columnists of 70,000 American citizens of Japanese amounty.



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Subject: RIMES SERVICE COMMITTEE
20 South 12th Street
Philadelphia, Pa.
Summary of Information:

The Officers of this organization are as follows:

Hard Hardones, Chairman

Cha. R. Toll, Treasurer

Clarence Particett, Executive Secretary

Harold Evans, Vice Chairman

Hamman Clothic Wall, Vice Chairman

O.N.I. files show a recent report which they secured from the P.H.P. This report indicates that the Subject society operates a school called Pendle Hill at Callingford, Pa. Howard H. Brinton is Director of this School and Anna Crinton is Assistant Director. Joseph E. Hatt is the Business and Executive Secretary.

During the spring term of 1942 there were 43 members on the faculty, including 3 Germans and 2 Japanese.

The P.M.P. report was based primarily on an interview between Lieut. Today of the P.M.P. and Ers. Evans. She is a tuaker and she believes that the organization, particularly the School, is being used as a front by people who are subversively inclined. She is very suspicious of anna Brinton who apparently tries to definate everything. She believes that the Cuckers are divided into two groups, to one of which the War is their War; but to the other of which an immediate peace novement is paramount, and prior to the peace the furtherance, through fund raising, of conscientious objector camps. Ers. Evans believes that Pendie Hill is behind this second group.

Mrs. Evans also mentioned one Harris Varner, who is head of the Field Committee of the Pendle Hill School that who is interested in contacting

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She also reported that the Friends Central Bireau at 15th & Cherry Sts. have charge of foods are goods sent from here to France and peably other countries. She is of the opinion this would make a very good means of exchanging mussajes and other information if subversive people worked into the cutfit in positions of trust.

It is suggested that P.H.P. be contacted for the full report on the Pendle Hill School.

Further investigation of this organization along the lines suggested in Capt. Dyer's telephone message is continuing.

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Letter of Transmittal.

To.

Lt. Col. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice

The attached communications are forwarded for your infor

tion and such action as you consider advisable.

For the Chief, Military Intelligence Service

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Colonel, General Staff, Asst. Executive Officer, M. I. S.

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Director, Intelligence Division, Meddynarters Second Service Commend, TOE Services of Supply, Covernors Island, Res Iork

- 1. On Saturday, Cotober 24, 1942, this office was notified by a local informat of the fact that one C. Veltor Earten was naboduled to cake a symbol at a hader recting in a torn adjusted to live his the following tay. The informat guated that Diritmin missor had to do while Japaness and the various come neves Simenies are principle intermed. Increment on there was now Tiefent time to the ours on aregs of this meeting by edites and F.S.I. or representatives of a field office, it, imitable and thought fool, of this office, attached the meeting in effiller michies. The meeting the school of to start at 3:50, tunday, Catokor 25, 1)12, at the Frienia Mosting Hall, draw's Mont, Hos Jersey.
- 2. Upon arrival at the fasting House, those agents found 24 people in notifiation. There were characteristic and tilesteen man. At approximately 3:55 one member of the organization cross to out the collitation grains, and introduced Er. Fortog, who then proceeded to give bile speech on the Japanese profiler in this eccutary.
- J. Er. Fortesi stated that he had just returned from an 2000 alle trip to the west court and back, during which time has had visited various Jageness interment compared had talked with range of the Jerandoe. On acros of his talks in The acrampanion by thes estima hallowing. Up. I team stated that the American Government ai according to the continue of the control of the · ys. Well orton suited that he binself had been in Jaron in 1958 and that he terstord the Japanese people. He upde of their culture, and of the fine may in len they encluded tremsulted in those cours. He stoom that the latter States s at 1 this in also percent alteration with Japan, due to our forespec hardling of o deciment twenter. We taken ataken that there had been no Jamanes enholare at worl firshor. For prof of this statement, is said the luborus Corrietos has show the alleged valotage to be false.
- A. He teld about one coun where the Japanese were riscoul that had no herbod - A wire around it and only four much because where more and lights were layt. He re-Intel that there had been no encapes from this carry, and that the September than tronical entremaly coll. Recover, to instructed that this was the exception inther than the rele. This inference led the suddence to believe that the Jamana were deally treated in man come, whileout groups food and more moretagn, without around If the condition, not post or this totaled in an intensiderate member. Forten stated that at the time the Coverner were executive from the west court, the citimone of Chilfornia thek powers no of those. He havind this up by talling charine of diviliance who were to degeners have an eterop and told the Jaranese what as long re they more colog to lacer they would for than hid for the entities. He also stated that a transform events of property had been lest by the Japanese curry the time of timir evacuation. REGRADED UNCLASSIFIED

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- 5. Forten told a story of one can where there wis a lacened Japanese doctor and lie wife. Forten was naved by an image rejection-charge (even unleaver) if he would like to been dimmer with the Japanese doctor. They left the even to have their need. In the regulate word was count to deathington that two of the Japanese, had even od, and instructions were wheel back to pick up the Japanese and return them to the carp. A great take into the rectangent where horten and his greats were, and upon society the region, the meant bright saw charactions and left without carpling out his insurantions. Forten talled a great deal stout the Friends Carvis counties. The Consistens has appearably done a great deal to note the Japanese in those carps herey and or farithe. They could then ford and what then an emercus occasions, all during fortents exceed, he are not of vertices "friends" them he had not while travelling through the wast and had joined on trips to these carps.
- 6. In Berken draw his talk to a close, he empressed that some of the couple in this area could not Imperess for their bein. According to his the Imperiors to a very friendly, yet of me, emission, percloss unit with a little coll-could understable in , we have just such make their they are considered framers and can make allowed couplings order. To also related the about of a Jacobs bey allows not necessarily and upon arrival there, found that he could not take the course what he remind to.
 - To do be unled his talk, he said that he was in favor of the Jackness verticed and that the Jackness rechles in the country at this time rould become race ways unless we did accepting elect it. In gove the impression test at the conclusion of the war we would very for our deproper handling of the Jackness people. He make the statement that if in 1938 (?) we had allowed the Jackness people to enter this country at the rate of 125 a year on a parament vice, instead of closing then out altogether, such of the present touche could have been averted. He could that his convex the Professor of Jackness at Columbia University in New York, but that he had been given have of absence area Columbia to take ever the Jackness deals in the Utale Bountant, Vashington, D.C. The can have appropriate moint then in Jackness begans told of a cottage he could in New Listen where it is his babit to entertain Japanece at vision these.
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11. Mr. Sheffington, a Special Agent of the F.B.I. Office in Trouton, has read over all of the enterial contained becoin.

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CECRON B. PAUL Captain, Indestry, Post Intelligence Officer.

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Writer states that he has even heard a rumor that he was refusing to go to a camp because he would have to work too hard- after his samual labor all summer. He adds: "But if a conviction is worth having it is worth holding on to, what say? And if we are to make any contribution to society we can't do it by giving up."

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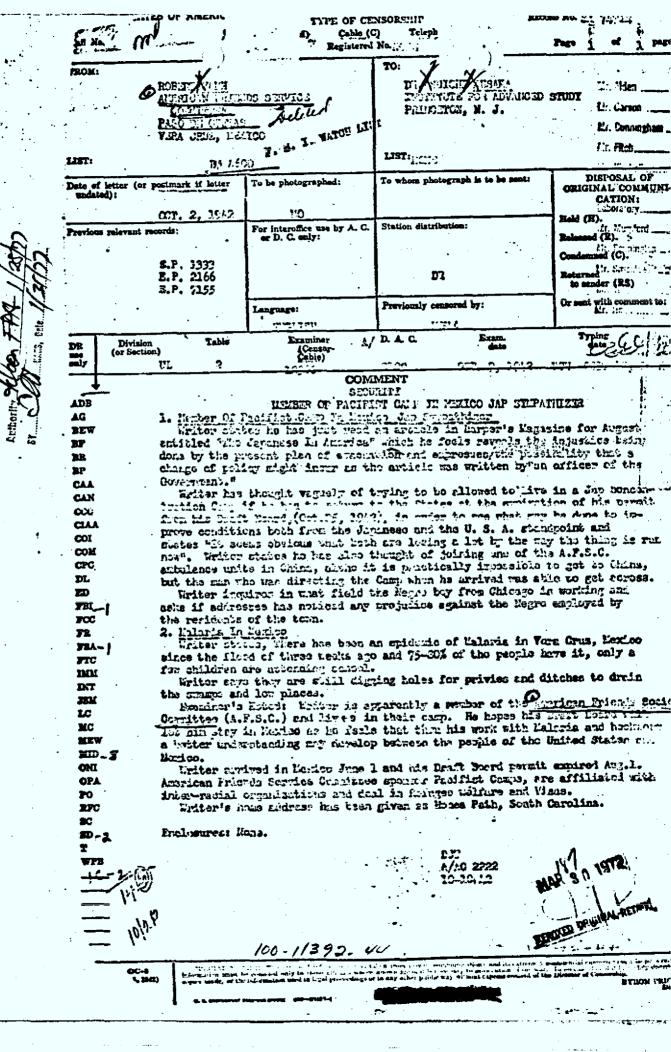
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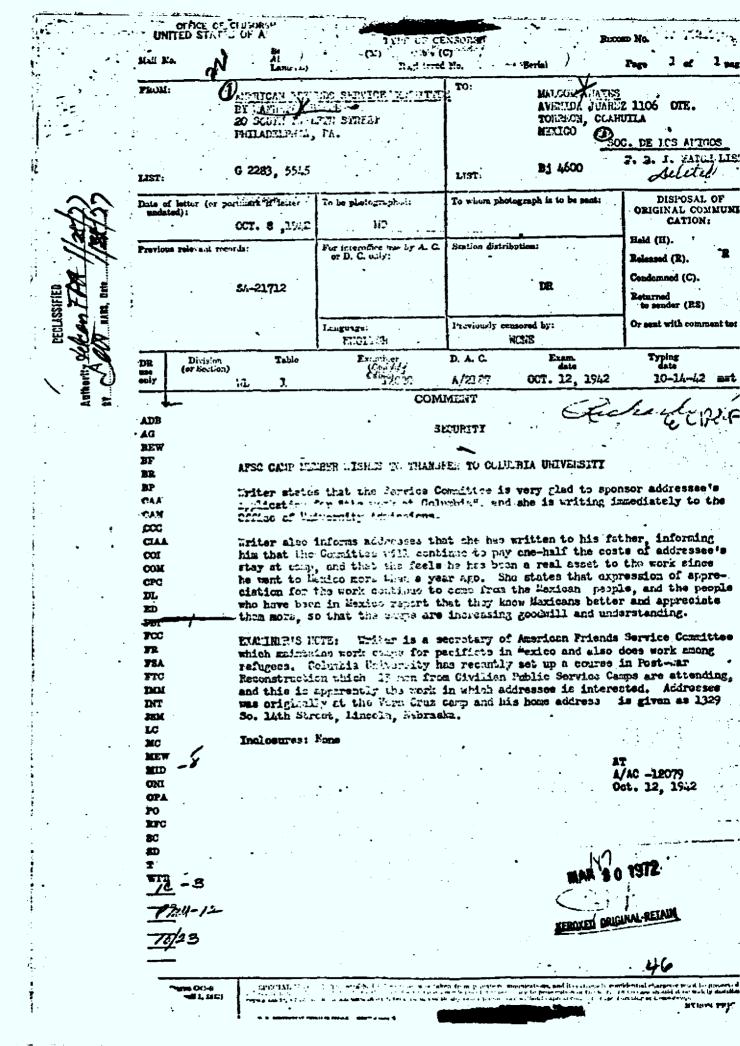
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