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we must all at a time like this, be on the alert for the enemy in our midst, and filled with the desire to do something practical for our country.

I remain Hon Sir,
Yours Respectfully.
Mrs Nan Wylie.

God Save the King!

1595 - 7th Avenue West
Vancouver. B.C.
6th June 1940.

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Hon. J. D. Pattullo.

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Honorable Sir,

I wish to raise my voice in protest at the number of Germans who are still holding lucrative positions here in Vancouver. Would such a condition be possible in Germany during wartime regarding any of our nationality! We have still so many of our former gallant soldier boys going around unemployed and undernourished what is the matter with the Canadian Government! We threw our unemployed men into prison because they

have no job.

Regarding war work. I am a member of the Munition War Workers in Vancouver. When we organized last fall we were told that munitions would be made here not later than March — that was long enough to wait, now it is June and still nothing being done. We are all experienced in various branches of war work and anxious to be absorbed, why is nothing being done here at the coast! Vessels are leaving the port empty when they could be carrying war supplies that are so badly needed.

were hungry and begging for food, so much work to be done, so many eager hands, and a government that can offer no solution. I am definately not a red tho' I sometimes see red when I realize how our aliens (who will never make good Canadian citizens) prosper, while so many of our own are in want.

Visit Kitsilano or any of the beaches in Summer, you would think you were in Japan. Swarms of Nipponese children well nourished and well clad, and compare them with the majority of our own. What is the answer? The fathers of the white children

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June 1, 1940.

Hon. T. D. Pattullo,
Office of the Premier of British Columbia,
Parliament Buildings,
VICTORIA, B. C.

Dear Sir;

Enclosed is a copy of a Resolution which originates from the Young Men's Section, The Winnipeg Board of Trade. The Resolution is self-explanatory.

The Trail Junior Chamber of Commerce is in complete agreement with the opinions expressed in this Resolution, and desires that the precautionary defensive measures now being taken by the Canadian Government to prevent possible internal enemy action, be further strengthened, and pursued with utmost vigour, before serious damage has been done.

This Junior Chamber respectfully urges your support of such a policy.

Yours very truly,

Maurice M. Wright

Secretary,
Trail Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Trail Junior Board of Trade

ASSOCIATE MEMBER CANADIAN JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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RESOLUTION

Whereas developments abroad necessitate a complete revision of the plans for Canada's active war effort, as stated by the Prime Minister,

And whereas it is equally important that defensive measures within Canada be strengthened immediately, with a view to our successfully meeting any situation which may arise,

And whereas the Government of Canada has already received evidence of the danger of "fifth column" activities in this country,

We, the Young Men's Section, The Winnipeg Board of Trade, urgently request the Government immediately to take whatever steps are necessary to give effect to the following, our recommendations, without delay:

(1) That local Boards, composed of not less than seven persons including civil and military authorities and Royal Canadian Mounted Police authorities, be appointed to investigate the records of all enemy aliens, male and female, and that all such aliens be interned for the duration of the war unless, in the unanimous opinion of the Board investigating the case, this should not be done.

(2) That every person who has been released from internment in Canada be examined by the Board mentioned in Section (1) and be re-interned unless, in the unanimous opinion of the Board, he or she should remain at liberty.

(3) That the immediate surrender to police headquarters of all fire-arms and explosives in their possession be required of every enemy alien, and every person who has been released from internment in Canada, and every naturalized person born in an enemy country and not resident in Canada for at least the past seven years, and every person suspected by police authorities or military authorities of engaging in subversive activities, and every person convicted of such activities.

(4) That ex-servicemen and other suitable groups be organized, on a voluntary basis under supervision of military or police authorities, as a military defensive force of such a nature that it could without any delay, in case of emergency, be incorporated in the active Canadian defence force....That rifles and ammunition, for the use of such force in case of need, be held by military authorities at convenient centres....That such voluntary force, in case of need in connection with subversive activities, be at the disposal of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

(5) That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Defence, the Minister of Justice, The Premier of Manitoba, the Attorney-General of Manitoba, and the Members of Parliament for Greater Winnipeg.

W. W. WALKEM, MAYOR

F. L. KITTO, CITY CLERK

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH

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LADYSMITH, B.C.

May 29th, 1940.

The Honourable T.D. Pattullo,
Premier of British Columbia,
Parliament Buildings,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

On the instructions of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Ladysmith, B.C., I enclose, herewith, a copy of a resolution passed at a meeting of the City Council held on the 28th inst.

Yours truly,

F. Kitto

F.L. Kitto, C.M.C.

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LADYSMITH, B.C.

May 29th, 1940.

WHEREAS it is evident that there is a considerable number of persons domiciled in the Dominion of Canada who are former residents of Germany

AND WHEREAS there is a certain element of the population of the Dominion of Canada who are conducting a subversive campaign against the Allies.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of the City of Ladysmith, British Columbia, petition the Federal Government to take immediate action along the following lines for the safeguard of the British Empire and the Dominion of Canada in particular:

1. The registration of all aliens.
2. The registration of all persons who have acquired British nationality during the present German regime.
3. The internment of all enemy aliens.
4. The confiscation of all privately owned firearms and ammunition.
5. The Census of the Dominion for the Year 1941 be taken immediately.
6. The formation and training of a "Home Guard", the same to consist of selected Ex-Service men.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. McKenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, the Hon. Norman L. Rogers, Minister of National Defence, the Hon. T.D. Pattullo, Premier of British Columbia, and Mr. Alan Chambers, M.P.

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28th May, 1940

Louis Le Bourdais, Esq., M.L.A.,

Quesnel, B.C.

Dear Louis:-

In reply to your letter of the 21st instant regarding the Programme of the Canadian Legion in respect to Aliens in Cariboo, Premier Pattullo is now in Ottawa and is discussing the whole British Columbian situation with those in charge there. Kindly extend my thanks to the Legion for the very constructive programme which will be placed before the Premier.

Yours sincerely,

"A. Wells Gray"

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MINISTER OF LANDS
OFFICE

Hon. A. Wells Gray,
Acting Premier,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Mr Gray.-

The Canadian Legion, at Wells, ask that immediate action be taken to curb subversive activity among Aliens in Cariboo.

At a public meeting, which was attended by representatives of all organizations and public bodies, the Legion was asked to undertake the preliminary organization of a volunteer corps for the purpose of supressing all subversive activity. The hope was expressed at the meeting that the Government would equip this corps with the necessary arms.

The 8-point programme sanctioned by the meeting was as follows.-

1.-Compulsory registration of all foreigners, whether naturalized or otherwise.
2.- Proper supervision by Dominion and Provincial police, of all persons so registered.
3.-Confiscation of all firearms, ammunition, and explosives in the possession of such foreigners.
4.-Confinement of all foreigners in concentration camps, if suspected of any subversive activity.
5.- Provision of adequate protection for vital utilities and services, employing ex-servicemen.
6.-Immediate establishment of a home defense corps of ex-servicemen, as a unit of the Canadian Militia.
7.- Deportation, after the war, of all foreigners in concentration camps.
8.- That the government be asked for immediate acknowledgment of this resolution, and action thereon.

I have acknowledged this request and assured the Legion that both Governments --Victoria and Ottawa --have been watching the situation closely, and also that both Governments would their co-operation and support.

Appreciate it if you would write A.M. Heath, Secretary-Treasurer, Canadian Legion, Wells, B.C. acknowledging this request.

Yours sincerely,
Louis Le Bourdais

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Address all communications to:
THE COMMISSIONER
British Columbia Provincial Police
(C.I.D.)
Victoria, B.C.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT
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SUBJECT:

Internment Camps.

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B. Hethey, Esq.,
Secretary to the Hon. T.D. Pattullo,
Premier for British Columbia,
Parliament Buildings.

Dear Hethey:

Dixon of the Public Works says that there are a few of the old Relief Camps left and as they are being gradually demolished by settlers and others he proposes to get rid of them. Ordinarily this would be the correct procedure but as we may be pushed for places to intern aliens, I have suggested that he waits until the Premier's views are known.

Yours truly,

T.W.S. Parsons,
Commissioner,
B. C. Police.

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