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Ottawa, October 27, 1942.

Dr. H. L. Keenleyside,
Assistant Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs,
O T T A W A.

Dear Doctor Keenleyside:

Herewith for your information and comments is copy of Resolution passed by Vancouver City Council concerning postwar disposition of the Japanese who formerly resided in that region.

Yours very truly,

Associate Deputy Minister
(A. MacNamara)

Encl.

HTP/MM

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports on taking over Resolutions - Sale

Ottawa, October 26, 1942.

Mr. Fred Howlett, J.P.,
City Clerk,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

As the Honourable Humphrey Mitchell is away on an extended official trip, I am taking the liberty of acknowledging receipt of your letter of October 21 and of informing you that the resolution concerning Japanese repatriation, adopted on October 20 by the City Council of Vancouver, will receive careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

George G. Greene
Private Secretary

FM

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Repatriation of Japanese Re: Resolution -

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER
CANADA

Department of Labour,
RECEIVED
OCT 24 1942
Secretary to Minister

Ottawa, October 22, 1942

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Associate Deputy Minister of Labour,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. MacNamara:

I don't wonder that Mr. Esling thought you should frame the resolution passed by the New Denver Branch of the Canadian Legion, on the Japanese situation. It is unique in the correspondence and representations on this subject. Perhaps you should see that all the British Columbia members get photostat copies.

Yours sincerely,

W. J. Turnbull
Principal Secretary
to the Prime Minister.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports on Cabinet Resolutions - Re

CITY
CLERK'S OFFICE

FRED HOWLETT, J.P.
CITY CLERK

TELEPHONE FAIRMONT 2711

VANCOUVER, B.C.

October 21, 1942.

Honourable Humphrey Mitchell,
Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Department of Labour
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OCT 23 1942
Secretary to Minister.

Dear Sir:

Proposed Japanese Repatriation.

I beg to attach hereto a copy of a resolution passed by the Vancouver City Council on the 20th inst., regarding the above-noted subject.

Yours faithfully,

CITY CLERK.

FH:MH
Enclosure

23-2-13-1 pt 1
Repatriation of Japanese
Resolution re

COPY OF RESOLUTION PASSED BY VANCOUVER CITY
COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 20TH, 1942

Moved by Alderman Geo. Buscombe,
Seconded by Alderman H.L. Corey,

THAT WHEREAS prior to the outbreak of the present war the presence in Vancouver of persons of the Japanese race was a constant source of irritation; owing among other things to unfair labor and business practices;

AND WHEREAS the experience of the last few decades has shown that assimilation of the two races is impossible; and that the Japanese standard of living is lower than that of the Canadian people;

AND WHEREAS as a necessary result of the action of the Imperial Japanese Government in making war upon our Empire, the Japanese population of Vancouver is being removed from the Coast of this Province;

AND WHEREAS the dislocations caused by the removal of Japanese from the fishing, lumbering, agricultural and other industries will be adjusted so that when peace comes we shall find that our own people are regularly carrying on all the activities which had formerly fallen into the hands of the Japanese;

AND WHEREAS it would be most unwise at a time when our own returned men will be seeking re-establishment in civil life to permit the Japanese to return and repeat the process of infiltration into business and industry which had become such a source of irritation during the years immediately prior to the war;

AND WHEREAS for many years it will be impossible for persons of the Japanese race to expect sympathetic consideration from our people and in their own interest it will be better for them to join their own countrymen in Japan;

AND WHEREAS the other Provinces of Canada have shown a disinclination to assume any portion of the burden of our present Japanese problem:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this City Council do petition the Government of Canada to take in hand as one of its postwar problems the question of the repatriation of all Japanese-born persons resident in Canada; and the setting up of a tribunal to enquire into the loyalty of all Canadian-born persons of the Japanese race, with power to order the removal to Japan of any whose loyalty to this country is not definitely established; and that the continued residence in Canada of Canadian-born Japanese be contingent upon the setting up of such tribunal and a fair distribution of their numbers among all the Provinces of Canada; and that such proportion shall be maintained;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada and other Members of his Cabinet, as well as to all Members of Parliament representing British Columbia constituencies.

- Carried.

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Reprs re taking of Annual Resolutions -

Department of Labour,
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OCT 3 1942
Secretary to Minister.

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House of Commons
Canada

Rossland, B. C.,
September 28th, 1942.

Dear Mr. MacNamara,

Here is a letter from the New Denver branch of the Canadian Legion. You may want to frame it and give it a prominent place in your office.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

W. K. Esling
Member for Kootenay West

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Associate Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Encl.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Repatriation Returned Soldiers' Resolutions - General

HIS MAJESTY THE KING
PATRON-IN-CHIEF OF
THE BRITISH EMPIRE SERVICE LEAGUE

The Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League

New Denver. B.C.

BRANCH No. IOI.

W.K.Esling. M.P.
Rossland. B.C.

September I3th.
I942.

Dear Sir,

At a regular meeting of the above Branch, held on September. 8th. I942. the following Resolution was regularly Moved, Seconded. & passed. as follows :-

Be It Resolved :-

That Branch IOI. Canadian Legion. B.E.S.L. New Denver. B.C. goes on record. that the influx of Japanese into the Slocan Area, is, obviously, a very neccessary War Measure, and as such, Branch IOI. New Denver. B.C. is quite willing to accept the situation, in a spirit of Democratic Co-operation, and true Christian spirit.

Yours Respectfully.

R.W.Crellin (R.W.Crellin.)
Secretary.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Response to National Resolution - Japanese

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER
B. C.

September 21st, 1942.

Department of Labour,
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SEP 24 1942
Secretary to Minister.

Mr. A. MacNamara,
Associate Deputy Minister of Labour,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. MacNamara:

Your letter of September 10th, enclosing correspondence from the Oak Bay Conservative Association with a resolution regarding the Japanese.

I assume this is a matter you can deal with without further comment from this Commission.

Yours sincerely,

Austin C. Taylor

Austin C. Taylor
Chairman.

Encl.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Repatriation Natural Resolutions - Japanese

MR. MACNAMARA

Jill

Department of Labour,
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SEP 24 1942
Secretary to Minister.

September 21st, 1942.

Mr. R. H. Neelands,
Secretary,
Vancouver Typographical Union No. 226,
529 Beatty Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of September 18th received, copy of which has been forwarded to Mr. A. MacNamara, Associate Deputy Minister of Labour.

Should you wish to further your request, I suggest you forward same to the Under Secretary of State, Ottawa.

Yours very truly,

A.C.T.

Austin C. Taylor
Chairman.

ACT:GT

cc: Mr. A. MacNamara

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Report on National Resolutions - Annual

COPY

VANCOUVER TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO. 226

VANCOUVER B.C.

529 Beatty Street

September 18, 1942.

The Chairman
B. C. Securities Commission
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The following is a copy of a resolution passed at the last regular meeting of Vancouver Typographical Union. It is self-explanatory and is sent for your information.

> "That Vancouver Typographical Union No. 226 go on record as strongly endorsing the stand of Mayor Cornett for the eventual complete repatriation of all persons of Japanese origin and that letters to this effect be sent to Mayor Cornett and B.C. Securities Commission of the Dominion Government."

Yours truly,

"R. H. Neelands"

Secretary No. 226.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Repression taking Form of Resolutions - Unions

MEMORANDUM
Office of the Prime Minister

Ottawa, Sept. 7, 1942.

Referred for the attention of the
Minister of Labour.

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

Department of Labour
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SEP 9 1942
Secretary to Minister.

September 7, 1942.

Oak Bay District Conservative Association,
1925 Foul Bay Road,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknolwedge your letter of the 1st of September, and the enclosed copies of resolutions passed by the Oak Bay Conservative Association at a meeting held on the 31st of August, 1942.

Mr. King wishes me to let you know that the representations of these resolutions have been carefully noted, and are being brought to the attention of the appropriate authorities for consideration.

Yours faithfully,

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

ASH/MS

23-2-13-1 pt 1
Reports on Labour Annual Resolutions -

COPY

OAK BAY DISTRICT CONSERVATIVE ASSN.

1925 Foul Bay Road,
Victoria,
September 1, 1942.

The Right Honourable W. Mackenzie King,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I have been instructed to forward to you the enclosed Resolutions which were passed by the Oak Bay Conservative Association at a meeting held on August 31, 1942.

I have the honour to be,

Yours truly,

"Geo. F. Salmon"

Secretary,
Oak Bay District Conservative Assn.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports on taking Annual Resolutions -

COPY

Resolution No. 2.

RE JAPANESE

That we consider the handling of the Japanese situation is still very unsatisfactory and we suggest that it be taken out of the hands of the present Commission and handled by the Military Authorities; Also that neither Dominion nor Provincial money be used in their education and that all Japanese be expatriated at the cessation of hostilities.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Report on taking Annual Resolutions -

O t t a w a,
September 5, 1942.

Mr. John Godwin,
1 Aberdeen Block,
84 Lonsdale Avenue,
NORTH VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Mr. Godwin:

I was very interested in your letter of August 31 addressed to the Right Honourable, the Prime Minister, who has referred same to me for reply.

However, I think it would be out of place to suggest that we could make any predictions as to what may happen after the war.

You will readily appreciate that there will be many conditions which will have a bearing on the "Peace Conferences".

Yours very truly,

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

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Office of the Prime Minister

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Ottawa, September 3, 1942

Referred from the Prime Minister's Office to the Minister of Labour.

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

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e avenue
Vancouver
Aug 31st 1942

Department of Labour
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SEP 4 1942
Secretary to Minister

Premier

my dear [illegible]

I shall esteem it a favour if you tell me that after the War is over that our loyal Japanese will be at liberty to return & take up their Business life where they left off.

It is such a tragedy just now to go through the streets here where they have had their Business & see all the empty Stores & left up in the Windows are those Honour Certificates for contributing to the last Loan

We must not forget that the Fathers of many of these people fought for us in the last War

The reason I am writing you is that everybody seems to be making what political capital they can out of these

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Report on Petitions & Resolutions - General

Labour

1 Aberdeen Block
84 Lonsdale avenue
North Vancouver
Aug 31st 1942

Department of Labour
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Secretary to Minister

The Rt Hon W. L. Mackenzie
King K.C. P. Premier

My dear Prime Minister

I should esteem it a favour if you tell me that after the War is over that our local Japanese will be at liberty to return & take up their Business life where they left off.

It is such a tragedy just now to go through the streets here where they have had their Business & see all the empty Stores & left up in the Windows are their Honour Certificates for contributing to the last Loan

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23-2-13-1 pt 1 Report on taking of Japanese Residents

folks misfortunes

The Mayor of Vancouver has his eye on getting elected again next December & he is getting a resolution passed to say that these folks should not be able to return & take up their Homes & Business but this is all to get Votes

To do what he wants is just to copy Hitler, look at the sorrow he has let loose on the World over his race hatred, so if you get any resolutions on this matter from Vancouver you will know not to take any notice off them. I think it is the lowest form of Politics I have ever seen, many of these folks have been here for 40 years & now their Homes & Business are lost & I think it is only fair that these Japanese Canadians shall be permitted to resume their normal Canadian life. I shall be glad for King to have your assurance that this shall be so & God grant this scourge may soon pass

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Repeal of National Resolutions - Removal

away & that righteousness & brotherly
love shall prevail over the whole earth
Trust you are keeping well Sir
Being sure all the heavy responsibilities you
have at present, I shall pray that God
will give you good health for your great
task

I have the honour to be
Sir
Yours Sincerely
John Goodwin

23-2-13-1 of 1 Report to Colonial Secretary's Office

MEMORANDUM
Office of the Prime Minister

Ottawa, June 23, 1942.

Department of Labour,
RECEIVED
JUN 24 1942
Secretary to Minister.

Referred to the Honourable Humphrey Mitchell,
Minister of Labour.

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

wa, June 23, 1942.

E. B. Langdale, Esq.,
Grand Registrar,
Royal Black Knights of Ireland,
808 East 8th Avenue,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the eighteenth of June, enclosing four resolutions which were adopted at the annual meeting of your association.

Mr. King wishes me to let you know that the representations of the resolutions will be given due consideration.

Yours faithfully,

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H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Resolutions Received + Annual Resolutions -

COPY

ROYAL BLACK KNIGHTS OF IRELAND

Vancouver, B.C. June 18, 1942

Office of the Grand Registrar,
808 East 8th Avenue.

Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King,
Premier of Canada.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find copy of some resolutions passed at the annual session of the above named institution, which was recently held in the city of Victoria, B.C. We consider these resolutions to be of vital importance to our country at this time and we trust that they may receive sincere consideration by the proper authorities of the government. Trusting that they may receive due consideration at this time and thanking you in advance,

I remain,
Yours truly and sincerely,

E.B.Langdale, Grand Registrar.

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COPY

RESOLUTIONS.

5. We are of the opinion that the Dominion Government has already expended too much time in dealing with the Japanese within British Columbia and again urge upon such government the necessity for the immediate and permanent removal of all persons of Japanese extraction from the Province of British Columbia.

23-2-13-1 p 1 1 Report on taking Census & Resolutions - General

W

Ottawa, June 20, 1942

Dear Mrs. Smart:

The Prime Minister has been good enough to send to me a copy of the resolution of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire passed at the Annual Meeting and, in reference to evacuation of Japanese I may say that no Japanese nor anyone of Japanese racial origin may purchase property in Canada. An Order in Council was passed some time ago prohibiting this.

In regard to re-location of Japanese, special and careful attention is being given to this matter and to their control after re-location.

Yours very truly,

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Mrs. L.B. Smart,
National Secretary,
The Imperial Order Daughters of the
Empire and Children of the Empire,
182 Lowther Avenue,
Toronto 4, Ontario.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports on National + Provincial Conventions - Resolutions

MEMORANDUM
Office of the Prime Minister

Ottawa, June 18, 1942.

Referred from the Office
of the Prime Minister
to the Minister of Labour.

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

Department of Labour
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Secretary to Minister.

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...awa, June 18, 1942.

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...f the Empire,
182 Lowther Avenue,
Toronto 4, Ontario.

Dear Madam:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge your letter of the 17th of June, embodying resolutions which were passed at the forty-second annual meeting of the National Chapter of Canada, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

Mr. King wishes me to let you know that the representations of these resolutions have been noted and will be given careful consideration. Copies are being made available for the information of the Ministers most immediately concerned.

Yours faithfully,

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

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Alice L Horkins

(Mrs. W. B. Horkins)
NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports on National & Provincial Conventions - Annual

Referred to the Minister of Justice, the Minister of Labour and the Minister of National War Services.

Ottawa, June 18, 1942.

Mrs. L. B. Smart,
National Secretary,
The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire and Children of the Empire,
182 Lowther Avenue,
Toronto 4, Ontario.

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Alice L Horkins

(Mrs. W. B. Horkins)

NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

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Copy. THE IMPERIAL ORDER DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE
AND CHILDREN OF THE EMPIRE (Junior Branch).

Toronto 4, Ontario, June 17, 1942.

Rt. Hon. Wm. Lyon MacKenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa.

Sir:

During the forty-second annual meeting of the National Chapter of Canada, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, the following resolutions were passed, and I was directed to forward them to the Dominion Government:

1. Whereas it is realized that it is desirable to remove the Japanese from the Province of British Columbia, and whereas many of these persons are being absorbed into domestic service and private enterprise in other provinces, and whereas it is feared that they may occupy positions by means of which espionage may be successfully carried on to the danger of the war effort of the nation,
Therefore be it resolved that the Federal Government be requested to place all such Japanese individuals under strict Governmental supervision, and not permit them to accept employment by private individuals or enterprises, or to purchase property or otherwise establish themselves in the other Provinces of Canada to which they are moved.

2. Whereas Canada is engaged in a desperate war, surrounded on all sides by powerful enemies, and
Whereas Canada is in need of every measure of loyal support, moral and military, available within her own borders, and
Whereas there are known to be in our midst organizations and religious sects of direct enemy origin, Hutterites, etc., who, while claiming exemption on religious grounds, we believe at the same time to be using their language as a means of spreading propaganda among their youth, subversive to the Defence of Canada Regulations,
Therefore be it resolved that we petition the Dominion Government to repeal the act granting these sects exemption from military duty on such grounds as "their religious beliefs".

3. That the National Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, express to the Government its strong approval of their actions in appointing an official in an allied country to publicize Canada's war effort and its hope that this may be the commencement of a movement to place before the people of our own country as well as our allies the

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Alice L Horkins

(Mrs. W. B. Horkins)

NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Report on taking of Resolutions - Annual

fact that Canada is making a far more extensive contribution to the present conflict than is generally realized.

Yours very sincerely,

Marjorie T. Smart

(Mrs. L. B. Smart)
National Secretary.

Toronto, Ont. June 18, 1942.

Dear Sir:

For your information we are enclosing a copy of a statement sent to-day to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice of Canada, which you will find self-explanatory.

Yours very truly,

Marjorie T. Smart

(Mrs. L. B. Smart)
NATIONAL SECRETARY.

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NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

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Department of Labour,
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Secretary to Minister.

The Imperial Order **Daughters of the Empire**
and **Children of the Empire** (Junior Branch)

ONE FLAG
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ONE EMPIRE

In Alliance with THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN U.S.A.
THE VICTORIA LEAGUE, LONDON, ENG. *Incorporated* THE NAVY LEAGUE, ENG.

A Bond of Union among the Daughters and Children of the Empire

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"Echoes" Sec.—MRS. P. G. MIGHT, TORONTO
Standard Bearer—MRS. R. L. NICOLSON, CALGARY, ALTA.

Head Office, National Chapter of Canada (With Imperial Jurisdiction)
Address all Official Correspondence to the Officers at 182 Lowther Ave., Toronto 4

Toronto, Ont. June 18, 1942.

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Marjorie L. Smart.
(Mrs. L. B. Smart)
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Alice L Horkins
(Mrs. W. B. Horkins)
NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Report on taking of Census Resolutions

An emergency meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire was called to consider the utterances made in the House of Commons on June 16th by the Minister of Justice, the Honourable Mr. St. Laurent, when he spoke to the Mobilization Act Amendment.

The Order being an organization of patriotic women, banded together from coast to coast to foster the bond of unity within the Empire, placed itself on record by making the following declaration:

WE BELIEVE in the Democratic way of life and feel the highest interpretation of this way is in the British Commonwealth of Nations.

WE BELIEVE that in this present world conflict the future welfare of humanity depends on the preservation of the RIGHTS and LIBERTIES of Man, as provided for by British institutions and subscribed to by the United Nations as outlined in the Atlantic Charter.

WE BELIEVE that the duty of each individual is to his country in the fullest sense, not alone to his town, province, or racial group, but to each unit of that entire country, up to the ultimate Head, which in our Empire is the Crown.

WE BELIEVE that the welfare of Canada is inseparable from the welfare of each part of the Empire, and that Canada is best served by serving the Empire as a whole.

WE BELIEVE that "loyalty" based on "the utilitarian viewpoint" as suggested by the Honourable Mr. St. Laurent, is selfish and without soul and citizens so restricted in outlook can make no contribution to the welfare of the country, nor are able "to exercise judgment and discretion in respect of legislation deemed to be for the good of the country".

WE BELIEVE that the present World War is one which demands unity between every group, country and nation fighting the common foe; that no one country can be in this war as the newspapers quote the Hon. Mr. Laurent as saying "We feel Canada is in this war on it's own and for it's own interests and survival". We, the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, protest against the statement of the Minister of Justice, that Canada is in such a position or that the people of Canada take such a stand.

Alice L Horkins

(Mrs. W. B. Horkins)

NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports on taking part in Annual Resolutions -

H.

Ottawa, April 13th, 1942.

Dear Mr. Cushing:

The Minister of Labour duly received your letter of April 7th containing text of resolution passed by the Calgary Trades and Labor Council, dealing with the Japanese problem.

Yours very truly,

Geo. G. Greene,
Private Secretary.

Mr. G. G. Cushing,
Secretary,
Trades and Labour Council,
CALGARY, Alberta.

MEETS ALTERNATE FRIDAYS

Labor Temple 229 Eleventh Ave. East

OFFICE PHONE M1759

The Council is Organized To Do Industrially What Its Affiliated Membership Gives it Power To Do

CALGARY

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Organized February 19th, 1901

WORKERS OF THE WORLD, UNITE

Chartered by Trades and Labor Congress of Canada

Department of Labour,
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APR 13 1942
Secretary to Minister.

Calgary, Alta.,
CANADA

April 7, 1942.

TO THE;
Prime Minister,
Minister of Labor,
Geo. Ross, M.P.,
Manley Edwards, M.P.,
C.E. Johnston, M.P.,
Trades & Labor Congress of Canada.

Sirs:

The following Resolution was unanimously adopted at the last regular meeting of the Calgary Trades & Labor Council.

Whereas: The Dominion Government has seen fit to continue giving the Japanese in Canada their liberty while our Country is at war with their homeland and therefore they should be classed as enemy aliens, and,

Whereas: Our Dominion Government has also seen fit to issue Orders-in-Council permitting these individuals to be spread throughout our Dominion and be permitted to carry on their usual occupation to a great extent, and,

Whereas: Our Dominion Government have also seen fit to issue Orders-in-Council permitting the employment of Japanese in Industry thereby displacing our own Canadian people in their gainful employment. Therefore be it;

Resolved: "That it be recommended to the Dominion Government that all Japanese be interned until the cessation of hostilities under armed guard and thereafter until such time as all men are demobilized from His Majesties Forces and are placed again in permanent employment together with other citizens that may become unemployed due to the cessation of the war, and that no Japanese be placed in employment until such time as there is a definite shortage of labor."

We would ask that the Dominion Government take notice of the foregoing Resolution.

Yours truly,

G.G. Cushing.

Secretary.

MEMORANDUM
Office of the Prime Minister

Ottawa, March 16, 1942.

Referred from the Office
of the Prime Minister
to the Minister of Labour.

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

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Secretary to Minister.

Ottawa,
March 16, 1942.

H. Hackwood, Esq.,
City Clerk,
P.O. Drawer 8,
Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 10th of March, enclosing copies of two resolutions which were endorsed by the Municipal Council of the City of Nanaimo with respect to the removal of Japanese from the British Columbia coastal areas and also requesting the Government to expedite the war effort by complete mobilization of man-power and industry.

Mr. King wishes me to let you know that the representations of your communication have been noted and will be given consideration.

Yours faithfully,

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NANAIMO

P.O. Drawer 8,

Nanaimo, B. C.
March 10th, 1942.

The Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

We enclose herewith copy of two resolutions which were endorsed by the Municipal Council of this City last evening.

Yours truly,

H. Hackwood (Sgd)
City Clerk.

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"Whereas there are resident in British Columbia a large number of Japanese, mainly in the Coast Area, which area has been declared vulnerable;

And whereas the Dominion Government has ordered the removal of these Japanese from the Coast area to other parts of the Country, including the interior of B.C., and is permitting them to buy land if they obtain a permit from the R.C.M.P.

Now therefore this meeting of the citizens of Kamloops, B.C., goes on record as follows:-

1. That the settling of persons of Japanese origin on land in the interior of B.C., or elsewhere in Canada will merely shift the Japanese problem from the Coast Area to some other area.

2. That no person of Japanese origin be permitted to buy, lease or rent or otherwise acquire land or business in any part of Canada, as from the declaration of war on Japan by the Dominion of Canada.

3. That pending the unavoidable lapse of time in making arrangements for the removal of Japanese from the Coast Area, the Dominion Government requisition all suitable buildings located in the vulnerable area of B.C., and elsewhere, and place the Japanese under guard therein.

4. And that, when final disposition of the Japanese is made, they be put in Dominion Government work camps or internment camps, under armed guard."

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Port Simpson, B. C.
February 28, 1942.

The Right Honourable W. L. McKenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa, Canada.

Honourable Sir:

At this time we are writing, advising you of the discussion of the Executive Officers of the Native Brotherhood of British Columbia at their meeting held at Prine Rupert, February 26-27th.

It was unanimous opinion of the Officers that measures should be taken immediately in removing the Japanese from the coast of British Columbia as some of the Japanese are as yet residing at some of the fishing canneries along the coast. We think that this is dangerous to the fishing industry, also many of the native people are scattered along the Coast of British Columbia and this we consider somewhat dangerous to our native people.

We are also of the opinion that the Japanese should not be allowed to work in the fishing industry for the duration of the war.

Hoping you will give the above matter your earliest consideration, we remain

Your humble servant,

Signed on behalf of the Native
Brotherhood of British Columbia,

Alfred Adams (Sgd)
Grand President.

H. D. Bailey (Sgd)
Grand Secretary.

Ottawa,
March 9, 1942.

Howard M. Levey, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Kamloops, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th of March enclosing a resolution adopted by a mass meeting of the citizens of Kamloops with respect to the Japanese situation in British Columbia.

As you will no doubt have seen in the Press, the task of removing the Japanese from British Columbia coastal areas has been placed in the hands of the British Columbia Security Commission, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Austin Taylor, acting with the co-operation of the Ministers of Labour and Justice. Your representations are, therefore, being brought to the attention of these Ministers.

Yours faithfully,

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

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The Corporation of the City of Kamloops.

Kamloops, B. C.
March 4, 1942.

Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir,-

I am directed by His Worship, Mayor G. R. Williams to bring to your attention the attached resolution regarding Japanese residents of British Columbia, which was adopted by a well-attended mass meeting of the citizens of the City of Kamloops, held on Tuesday evening, March 3rd.

The meeting was called by resolution of the Municipal Council, and the Mayor and Aldermen desire to commend the enclosed resolution to your earnest consideration.

Yours truly,

Howard M. Levey (Sgd)
City Clerk.

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Ottawa,
March 6, 1942.

M. F. Hunter, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Victoria, British Columbia.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th of March, written at the direction of the Victoria City Council endorsing a resolution passed by the City Council of Kelowna with respect to the Japanese situation in British Columbia.

You will have seen in the Press, by this time, statements regarding the action which is to be taken in this respect. I am, however, referring your communication for the attention of the Ministers most directly concerned.

Yours faithfully,

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Registered Resolutions - General

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City Clerk's Office
Victoria, B. C.

4th March, 1942.

The Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Canada.

Sir: Re: Japanese Problem.

By direction of the Victoria City Council, I have the honour to inform you that at its meeting held on the 2nd instant the Council endorsed a resolution recently passed by the City Council of Kelowna suggesting (1) that all male Japanese of military age should be interned, (2) that any evacuation of other Japanese to east of the Cascade Mountains should be under strict supervision of the Dominion Authorities and to only suitable areas where proper Police control could be exercised at all times, and should be effected in a manner that would not arouse popular indignation and outrage, (3) that the Dominion Government should prohibit the sale or lease or rental of any farm land or other real estate to Japanese during the present crisis, and, further, demanding that the Government take immediate action to deal effectively with this whole matter.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Yours obedient servant,

M. F. Hunter (Sgd)
City Clerk.

23-2-13-1 pt 1
Re: Japanese Question - General

File

Ottawa,
March 6, 1942.

L. R. Wood, Esq.,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Vancouver and District
Lawn Bowling Association,
2676 West 45th Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd of March, embodying a resolution passed by delegates from twenty Clubs in the Vancouver and District Lawn Bowling Association requesting the immediate removal of enemy aliens and all persons of Japanese origin from the British Columbia coastal area.

You will have seen in the Press, by this time, statements regarding the action which is to be taken in this respect. I am, however, referring your communication for the attention of the Ministers most directly concerned.

Yours faithfully,

H. R. L. Henry,
Private Secretary.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Re Japanese Resolutions - General

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Vancouver and District Lawn Bowling Association

Vancouver, B. C.
2nd March, 1942.

To the Prime Minister of Canada,
The Rt. Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:-

I respectfully wish to draw your attention to the following resolution passed unanimously by delegates from twenty Clubs in the above Association, representing 900 male Lawn Bowlers:-

"That for the safety of the people of British Columbia and Canada, the Dominion Government should enforce the Military Authorities to remove immediately enemy aliens and all persons of Japanese origin from key points designated as vital to defence and public safety."

Yours obediently

L. R. Wood (Sgd)

Secretary-Treasurer.

2676 West 45th Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

23-2-13-1 pt 1
Re Petition to Parliament
Re Resolution - Japanese

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Ottawa, February 26, 1942

My dear Colleague:

I have yours of February 17, with letter to you from the Honourable Ian Mackenzie and copy of letter to Mr. Mackenzie from Miss Nora Hutchings, North Burnaby Liberal Association.

I have referred the matter to the officials in charge of the Japanese problem.

Yours very truly,

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Honourable Norman McLarty,
Secretary of State of Canada,
Ottawa, Ontario.

23-2-13-1 pt 1

C O P Y

NORTH BURNABY LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

4301 E. Pender St.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.
6th Feb. 1942.

Ian McKenzie, Esq., M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa Ont.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the above association, I was instructed to write you regarding the Japanese situation.

We advocate the seizing of all property of the Japanese, naturalized or otherwise, that some recompense be made on their departure from this country and that all be interned for the duration of the War.

We strongly advise that steps be taken to remove them from this country, at the earliest possible moment. We further recommend that all Trade Licenses be cancelled immediately.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) Nora Hutchings
SEC'Y TREAS.

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Reports re Enemy Aliens - Internal Security - Japanese

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508 Vancouver Block,
Vancouver, B. C.
February 25, 1942.

Rt. Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

After having put in a week on Canada's Second Victory Loan, I have been able to gather a cross section of the opinion of the people of Vancouver in relation to the Japanese situation here on the coast.

Although there might not be apathy in Ottawa, and probably is not, everyone without exception is under the impression it exists.

Secondly, there is no question that Japanese surround the Air Port and certain gun emplacements. Dykes could be blown and the Air Port flooded in no time.

Third; Since attacks on California, public apprehension is rising on the coast, and something has to be done immediately. Certain Japs are becoming more and more insulant.

Fourth; Resolution after resolution has been forwarded to Ottawa from various organizations demanding removal of all Japs. These resolutions do not take into consideration where or how the Japs are to be moved, and the lack of accommodation for them.

No doubt in the event of attack, there are sufficient Japs here to make the situation dangerous. Therefore to make their colony here incapable of helping the enemy, and to allay public fears; to regain public good will, and to prove possibly everything is being done, may I humbly suggest:

An order-in-council be passed immediately providing the following:

1. Immediate seizure (on the same basis as fishing boats) of all Jap trucks, autos, bicycles, motorcycles; radios and cameras, whether they belong to Jap nationals; naturalized Japs, or Canadian born Japs.

2. Immediately disconnect every telephone at all Jap residences and places of business.

3. Imposition of a curfew on Japs.

4. A special permit to be required if five or more

23-2-13-1 pt 1 Repatriation Re evacuation - General

adult Japs are to congregate at any time.

5. Moving Jap familys from all defence areas immediately.

6. Move all Japs <u>eventually</u> from the coast.

The above would show the people here the Government desires action, and would in part retrieve the lost prestige.

The press is being given a copy of this letter, and I feel sure the whole populace will fervently pray that immediate action as listed above is taken.

Respectfully yours,

J. R. Arnold (Sgd)

JRA/ME

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Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King
Prime Minister,
Ottawa, Ont.

Whereas under Dominion Regulations all male Japanese of military age are required to vacate areas west of the Cascades; and whereas it is reported that all provinces East of the Rocky Mountains object to any Japanese entering those provinces; and whereas the above policy will force all Japanese who are required to remove from coastal areas to locate in the interior valleys of British Columbia; and whereas under present regulations, there is no control of the movement of the said Japanese within the interior of the province of British Columbia; and whereas there are no means whereby Japanese may be prevented from purchasing property whether farms or homesites; and whereas there are no regulations which will prevent Japanese from purchasing property in key positions in different parts of the province; and whereas we have ample evidence of the said Japanese endeavouring at this time to purchase land from private owners; therefore be it resolved;

That we the members of the Kamloops and District Liberal Association hereby request and demand that immediate steps be taken to prevent the purchase or lease of any land whatsoever in any part of the province of British Columbia by any Japanese whether naturalized or native born citizen, for such time as hostilities continue with Japan and further that it be made a misdemeanor and contrary to the national defence regulations, for any person to act for or on behalf of any enemy alien or aliens or any Japanese directly or indirectly in any negotiations for the purchase of any property and that immediate steps be taken to direct and control the movement of all Japanese in such a manner that their presence can not prove to be detrimental to the life and security of the citizens of the province of British Columbia who at this very moment are being urged to give their all in accordance with their means, to protect and preserve our democratic institutions and our way of life.

KAMLOOPS AND DISTRICT LIBERAL ASSOCIATION,

JOHN HODGSON PRESIDENT.

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