

January 7, 1941

URGENT

December 7, 1941

~~Mr. Tom Allen  
District Chairman  
National Defense  
Mill City, Oregon~~

Dear Mr. Allen:

Having recently been appointed, General Chairman for Marion County Housing Committee, by co-ordinator Bryan Conley of Salem, I am today just as our hour of darkest peril seems nearest at hand and Japan has declared WAR on the United States, directing this letter to you for URGENT attention.

HOUSING and EVACUATION will now likely be of prime importance as the war progresses and it is very necessary that you appoint a very responsible Chairman to this very important post at once and advise this office of his name, address and telephone number.

This chairman's duty will be to list all the available buildings, both public and private in your area, furnishing this office with the following information:

1. Number of private homes and number of evacuees that the total of these homes can accommodate.
2. Number of hotels and apartments and evacuees that the total of them can accommodate.
3. Number of warehouses, public buildings, armories, and manufacturing plants and the total number of evacuees.
4. Number of hospitals with the maximum patient accommodations also convalescent homes etc.

Kindly appoint this party at once and have him file these reports with the undersigned at his earliest moment as it is very imperative that we have the information on file.

Upon receipt of this chairman's name and address we will from time to time forward additional instructions and information.

Yours very truly,

GEN. CHAIRMAN MARION CO HOUSING COM.

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