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*Anti-Communist*  
Sackett, Carl L.

August 15, 1950

*Legislation*  
Subversive

Dear Carl:

I am in receipt of the copies of your recent letters to Senator O'Mahoney both of which I have read with considerable interest.

You have had your finger on this situation for so long and have given such a close study to it that we are bound to realize some benefit in our thinking from your views. Naturally I am anxious to utilize every opportunity that comes to me to defeat subversive activities in our country, and am inclined to favor the strongest measures possible to combat these activities and their influence.

Things are a little hectic here with the apparent unified approach to the controls problem being broken by politics. Am hopeful we can come to agreement soon, and feel certain that a reasonable measure will result finally.

Thanks for writing, and with best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Honorable Joseph C. O'Mahoney,  
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REC'D AUG 11 1950

Friend Joe:

This morning the Eagle carried a news article "Truman asks Home Front War on Reds". I commend the president's action. As you know, I have been carrying on such a war for years on the home front. The Department of Justice likewise has been carrying on such a war. The Attorney General has frequently made recommendations for such action by Congress. It failed miserably until the invasion of Korea.

Clipping from the Eagle is enclosed.

Today we are not confronted with peacetime administration. We are not living in a cloudy atmosphere of philosophy. Reality requires legislation which can be administered practically without delay of court and appeals. This is particularly true with reference to aliens and protection of our arms' plants, airplane plants, tank plants, arsenals, ships and shipping and wharves. In times like these, employers and officers in such places are entitled to have a list of members of the Communist Party, as shown by registry records, required by Congress. Merely registering those Communists, who have been trained by a foreign government or political party in espionage or subversive tactics is not sufficient for protection of the United States and its fighters at this time.

The F.B.I. and the Justice found dangerous aliens who should have been held in cases where it was inadvisable to disclose the facts as there were other conspirators and investigation had to be completed. I see no reason why the Attorney General cannot be depended upon to handle such aliens without action by the president. In many such cases, with dangerous aliens, there is no time even for search and seizure proceedings or other court procedure. Our ships are moving out and arms and ammunition are being made. Workmen are frequently needed immediately.

Now I understand that the coast guard is the agency thru which workmen on ships are to be screened. The coast guard cannot ~~remain~~ be present always. I am glad that much progress has been made. I understand that when a workman is objected to by the coast guard or otherwise, the Maritime Union or the I.L.W.U. or other union will submit another workman. What good would this do in Honolulu or Japan or Manila where the officer of the union is a Communist?

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Why should any Communist be permitted to labor in or around our atomic or other arms or ammunition plants? Why should they be permitted on U.S. ships? Why on the wharves? Edgar Hoover says all such persons are potentially dangerous and some of them probably dangerous. I never understood that the Bill of Rights required the United States and her boys to take such risks. Infiltration at home is just as dangerous as on the battle field. On the battlefield, prompt action has been taken in Korea, why not here? Those Bridges followers, even in San Francisco, advocated refusal to load ships. Communists have shown fanatical willingness to die and some such Commie may be on some ship where he can take the ship and our boys and supplies along with him. The Bill of Rights does not give a Communist a right to employment on our ships.

I am advised that the present procedure or regulations gives any laborer, refused employment, a right of appeal. Such laborer may not be a Communist but he may be a spreader of the Malik line, and a disorganizer, and his presence might make good workmen nervous and jerky. Why should any such man be employed? If some adequate legislation does not remedy the present situation, then I see no way out but martial law.

I am for the Mundt-Ferguson bill or any other bill requiring all Communists to register and providing that such person may be refused employment on any ship of the United States or by our army or navy or air force or in any plant manufacturing war supplies or ammunition or in loading any U.S. ship or any ship carrying U.S. strategic supplies or war materials or arms or any of our soldiers, sailors or air men. Why be partisan as to the Mundt-Ferguson bill or any such bill?

Please send me a copy of the Mundt-Ferguson Bill and other bills pending designed to protect us in this emergency relating to Communists' activities.

With best regards to you and Mrs. O'Mahoney, I am,

Very sincerely,

  
Carl L. Sackett

*Wire tapping should be legalized for  
wire tapping aliens and subversive  
activities :*

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REC'D AUG 12 1950

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Friend Joe:

It happened. I.L.W.U. of the Hawaiian Islands struck on the wharves and on sugar and pineapple plantations to force the United States Court in San Francisco to release Harry Bridges. This is just another unbelievable human event except for the fact that it occurred. A strike for this purpose is in harmony with Bridges' effort to get strikes at San Francisco against loading ships for our defense in Korea and is, I believe, communist directed.

You may have thought I was mistaken about the ILWU in Hawaiian Islands still taking orders from Harry Bridges and that it had communist officers.

Enclosed is AP Honolulu, August 9 report on the strike.

Very truly,

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Doc Senator Hunt

This strike reflects the unamerican mind? of a faction which turns elections in Honolulu and shows that I.H. is in fact a danger point.  
Carl