

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Subject: Museum

Miss Anna Mayers, Librarian  
Inyo County  
Independence, California

Dear Miss Mayers:

I can well understand the need to be very careful with Public Relations persons who are planning for my services to the Museum group. I quite agree with you that the idea of black libraries would be very unsatisfactory, for the reason that it would require duplication of records and instructions; and a general, unorganized state of affairs would result. It seems to me that you should be able to sell him the County Library idea of the value of a centralized administration.

This morning we had a note from a young Japanese who was formerly a member of the County Library staff, and is now stationed somewhere in the Middle States. He speaks of using the library located in the Harvey Club, and although he does not have much time to read, he considers having the library a very fine thing and hopes to make use of the books.

If the proper authorities agree to my transferring some of the Victory Campaign books to you, it is possible we should have as many as 1,500 from this source; and if it were agreeable, I believe our Board of Supervisors would consent to my adding 1,500--possibly more--that might be taken from our own shelves. By this I mean good books which have filled their local interest.

I am sorry that I am unable to locate my Japanese who has had training in librarianship. No doubt, there would be numerous persons among the Museum group who might be used as assistants. At the same time, I think you should hold very definitely to the idea that the whole service would need to be organized by a professionally trained librarian.

Very truly yours,



Helen E. Taylor  
County Librarian