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To Major Jack P Napier

Subject: Press Purge, Case of Mr Obama, President
of Nippon Economic News

(1) Mr Toshie Obama, president of the Nippon Keizai Shimbun (Nippon Economic News, formerly Chugai Chogyo), was provisionally placed on the list of the press purge. The Central Screening Committee, on reviewing his case, dropped him from the list. His name has been submitted to the Government Section, SCAP, for postview.

(2) He is a graduate of Waseda University; chairman of the Board of Trustees in the university; and one of the most important of its alumni.

(3) I have known him personally since his college days. He did well in his academic career and I was confident he would prove himself a successful man in whatever profession he might adopt. And he has not failed to justify my wishes.

(4) I can guarantee his integrity and personal character. His past career is a record of an honest and brave fight against militarist domination in this country. It was merely by an irony of life that his name was now and then coupled with some undesirable organizations. Take him all in all and you will find him to be a man of liberal, democratic tendencies.

(5) For above reasons I ask you to postview his case with due consideration for his personal qualities and inclinations.

Wm. D. Dutton