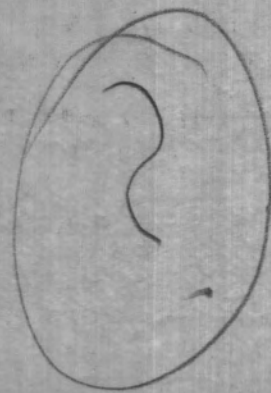


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31st March, 1941.

J.B. Priestley, Esq., M.A., LL.D.,  
(1941 Committee),  
7 Chester Street,  
Berkeley Square,  
W. 1.



Dear Mr. Priestley,

I have been told that you have held yourself responsible for the welfare of a number of children whose parents have been killed by enemy action and that these children are at present housed somewhere in the country.

As I understand it the scheme is that a number of Americans are acting as foster parents to these unfortunate children and are bearing the cost of their upkeep and that you and others are holding a "watching brief" over them here.

If all this is correct I should like your approval to the suggestion that we be allowed to make a short news film of the children in their present surroundings. The film, apart from being shown in our newsreel here, would be sent also to America and would serve to show the Americans the effectiveness of their help.

Will you please let me know if anything can be arranged in this matter.

Yours very truly,

E.J.H. Wright,  
News Editor.

EJHW/EJP


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Brounwood Carl:  
Waller.  
(? Drains & Pylorus)

Mr. Raymond Gauntlett,  
24 Farm Street.

5th April, 1941.

Mayfair 0670.

J.B. Priestley, Esq., M.A., LL.D.,  
(1941 committee),  
7 Chester Street,  
Berkeley Square,  
W. 1.

Phoned 1/5/41.  
Gauntlett meeting  
to Priestley.  
Will advise  
ms. 


Dear Mr. Priestley,

I shall be interested to hear from  
you in reply to my letter of 31st March as, naturally,  
I would like to make the news film referred to as soon  
as possible.

Yours very truly,

E.J.H. Wright,  
News Editor.

EJHW/WJP

Phoned 3/6/41  
re checked Wednesday  
Phoned 4/6/41  


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Gauntlet phoned to say that it may not be possible to go to Mrs. Priestly's place for sometime, as they now have a case of diphtheria there. However, Mrs. Priestly will be at Whitehall 3160 at 3.15 this afternoon to see a Lady Nicholson who lives there. Gauntlet suggest to ring Mrs P there and have a chat on future possibilities.

LPEH.

Sunny day.

Lyons Hall  
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Royal Oak Hotel  
Leominster 10  
9 miles  
a Sat.

Phone before  
4.30  
Broomwood Court

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Kingson  
Here

9th June, 1941.

JW.

RE MR. AND MRS. PRIESTLY AND KIDS  
STORY.

X Spoke to Mrs. Priestly and fixed this for  
next week-end, i.e. Saturday morning, Saturday,  
14th June. Here's what we have to do.

X *Both Priestlys will be there.*

Cameraman/men, (found for Priestly at the  
plane), should go down on Thursday or Friday.  
We should book rooms for Thursday or Friday  
night at the Royal Oak Hotel, Leominster, which  
is a good Hotel. We should do this because  
as you know lots of parents visit their children  
week-ends and crowd out Hotels. Broxwood Court  
is 9 miles from Leominster and 6 from Aington,  
Herefordshire. THEN cameraman/men should  
'phone through to Broxwood Court first thing  
early Saturday morning, when they will be given  
directions "how to get there".

Mrs. Priestly pointed out that, as we know, you  
want a really sunny day to get the best out  
of the children, children playing outside, etc.  
ALSO, rather important, cameraman should build  
up story with the laundry, run by evacuee mothers  
for the children and other services they do -  
all carried out at Broxwood Court. It is fairly  
light there but we should take lights. Lighting,  
from my handbook, is 230 VOLTS.

Telephone No. of "Royal Oak" is Leominster 10.  
" " " Broxwood Court is Lyons Hall 10.

Note: we should 'phone Broxwood Court to tell  
them that we have made arrangements with Mrs. P.  
also to make sure that there is no further outbreak  
of diphtheria before we go

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OK.  
FSP.

*Suggest 'phone  
Wed.*

P.T.O.

*Tilley*

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Re the Maloney kid adopted by Mrs. Roosevelt. This is also in Herefordshire and not so far away from Broxwood Court but, for this, we should make separate arrangements with Mr. Eric Moggridge, Foster Parents Plan. He lives in Stoke Newington. ? Fix this up to coincide with visit to Broxwood.

FJP

J. W.

12/6/41.

to Broxwood  
Mossridge taking down  
cable received to-day,  
addressed to Tommy  
Maloney from  
Eleanor Roosevelt.

Scanned sequence somebody  
holding cable and  
reading it to boy, etc.

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Phoned Broxwood  
Court. Everything O.K.

J. W.