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## Letter From William Montgomery Bennett to Walter E. Batterson, May 8, 1941

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Woodbury, Conn.,  
May eighth, 1941.

My dear Mr. Batterson:-

As one of the organizing committee of the "Fight for Freedom Committee", I have been asked to take steps to secure a Connecticut Branch of that organization. Two evenings ago, I broadcast over WBRY Waterbury telling the story to Connecticut but very probably you did not hear it. Herewith, I enclose some material which will give you the picture.

I had a talk last evening with my friend, Hon. F.M. Huntington-Wilson of your Defend America Committee and he advised that he expected to see you next Monday in Hartford. I suggested to him that he canvass this matter with you and that between you the local State organization might be thought out. As you know, my time is entirely taken up with my campaign for church services of intercession for Britain, a movement that is growing in scope every day. Personally, I have not the hours in the day necessary to handle that and take on my shoulders the Fight for Freedom work, although I am 100% behind the latter and will continue to do all I can for it.

You will be in possession of a communication from Mr. Michelberger stating that these two committees compliment each other and asking cooperation. Fight for Freedom is maintaining a permanent group in Washington that is on the job each day and all day: what has happened in Congress recently directly reflects the manifesto of the committee. It is "on its way" to get results.

Please favor me with your reactions after your talk with Mr. Huntington-Wilson. Best regards.

Copy to Hon. F.M. Huntington-Wilson,  
Woodbury, Conn.

Faithfully