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Nello, Ojisan!

I hadn't expected to receive a letter from you, since I had not written for such a long time, so I was very much surprised when I got one on the 27th. I thank you very much.

We are always glad to hear that you are in the best of health and treated with due consideration. After the war you'll probably look the healthiest of us all, neh, Oji-san? We are all quite well now, but some days ago as Miyo-chan probably has mentioned, Mama-san, Miyo-chan and I were all having trouble with our stomach, and of course Papa-san self off and on, so all four of us were in bed at time. Our room certainly looked like a hospital room.

It's so cold in the mornings here and some of the families don't even have stoves. We were fortunate to have a stove quite early, so in order to put our coal somewhere, Papa-san is trying to make a huge chest like box by the stove. To-day is the third day he's been at it and only the framework is up. He makes it so huge and bulky, that our room seems still smaller, and Mama-san is always telling him which way is better, but Papa-san, he thinks he's always correct. He could get things done faster when Mama-san isn't home, I think. Poor Papa, it's so pitiful to see him, because he thinks so hard and has such

a hard time. You know Uje san, he hasn't ever done this sort of thing before because business always kept him busy. He says Mama could break it all down after it's done, if she isn't satisfied, and by that time, Spring will be here.

About our relocation center papers that were sent to you. I believe Junie-chen sent it with a letter, but yesterday her letter, dated Oct 14, came back to us since she did not have her name written on the envelope. She just had our address on it. Therefore I am enclosing her letter with mine. By the way, Junie-chen & Miyō-chen are both working in the hospital from 8-4, but they don't have anything to do with the patients. I had planned to work when I just came here, but Mama would rather have me help her at home. I have ^{already} registered for high school but it seems as tho' high school will not open until next year. I am surely missing a lot of my education.

I am ~~sorry~~ I don't have a single picture to send you, since we left our album stored at the hotel and all our cameras plus radios and maps were taken up by the government after the war started. Do you know have a

picture of yourself? If so, won't you please send me one? Monday, we had such beautiful summer weather, that all of us with the Fujis went down to the river and rested ourselves. Monday many go fishing there - while children scoop up tiny fishies. Ka-chan and I tried doing that, but didn't succeed. Mitou & Ayako were at school while Miyo-chan was working at that time.

The scenery was nothing to speak of, but just to be in a place where you don't have to see just our rocks, is a pleasure. You feel as though you're at one of the Seattle beaches, or Alki. Is there any place like this, down there?

Oh, Ka-chan is crying again. She is such a bad baby, she cries whenever her sisters go to school. I suppose she isn't feeling well, since she has a cold.

Well, I'll let you know when our coal bin is completed. I hope it'll be soon.

Goodbye, Aji-san
Yoshiko.