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Dear Oji-San,

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So many months have slipped away unnoticed and I have neglected writing you. And so often I've thought of you way back there in New Mexico and prayed that all was well.

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It was certainly a great shock to learn that you were ill. How are you getting along now? Better, I hope, and recuperating every day. I wish I could now visit you and been with you when you were ill for I know how very lonesome one can get when one is weak and alone.

Is there anything I could send you which you might be unable to get in camp? This town is so very small that things are few, but it won't take me much time to go out to Springfield or Dayton to get it for you. Do you have enough Cellery extract? I can write to the Lilly Co. for you if you'd like. Please let me know, ne.

What are you doing to pass the time each day? Being sick, you are unable to do much hard physical labor, aren't you?

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I have just finished my spring quarter of studying and am now on my coop job on campus. The faculty and students are so friendly that we Nisei, of whom there are six, feel at least last, a part of the community, no different from the rest and just as proud of the American heritage as the rest of them. I am so happy to be here.

Antioch is a small school, only 544 students, of whom  $\frac{1}{2}$  are off-campus working in factories and offices all over the country.

Yellow Spring is beautiful now with lush green trees, brilliant ~~Summer~~ summer flowers, and sparkling fireflies. The campus is a mass of green now and the main Bldg. with its brick towers is covered with lovely trumpet vines. Studying becomes a pleasure in such pleasant surroundings. Do you remember

Horace Mann from your history study? He was the founder of this school and Mr. Arthur E. Morgan, former head of J. V. A. was the man who put the college on a progressive basis. Now each alternate quarter, students leave campus to work in some office or place which corresponds to the field they are studying.

Because my interest is in dictations, I have taken a job in the canteen cafeteria and Tea Room helping the dictation. Lois Noda, a freshman Home Economics student is working with me.

The first few days were torturous for we had to stand 8 whole hours! That 1st night, I wished that I had wooden legs for they ached so much! Gradually, I have become used to the routine and, <sup>am</sup> actually enjoying my work now.

After 3 months of this I will be attending school again. I have been told that I can graduate by next Spring. After that? I don't know.

I only wish that this place weren't so far from home. It makes one very homesick when all the students leave for vacations at home. During inter-quarter week, the campus was deserted and only 3 of us Nisei were left at Willett House. We talked a great deal about relocation and our experiences in getting to Antioch.

Oji-San please take care of yourself and don't over do. I'll be looking forward to the day when all of us can be together again.

If you write to the family in the meantime, they will send me your letters so you will not have to bother writing me separately.

Hoping this finds you up and about.  
 Lovingly  
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