

February 7, 1945

Dear Mr. Thomas,

Please excuse me for not writing for long time. I hope all of you are in good health? We are all fine. Sorry to hear from your daughter that Mrs. Thomas was ill and was in hospital. I hope she is now well and be able to take the care of her.

The weather over here is cold, around freezing point. With the coal shortage and the freight line is busy we are not getting enough coal. ~~But~~ I hope this cold weather wouldn't last so long.

We the Japanese army are given O.K. to return to the

West Coast. Quite a few of the
Japanese have returned to L.A.
and other places. Once thing I like
to return is the climate and was
born and raised there. Lots of
my friends have visit the
coast and liked there. Isn't there
a ^{Japanese} family about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the
dairy you work? Beside the
Chapman Ave. school? I don't
if its true or not but let me
know. Haven't Jawndale and
around there have changed a
lots since we left three year
ago? doesn't say past past?

I tried many place to
get the film, but at last I got
it from store in New York. \$
The size is 114 and I believe
it fits you. there is ~~one~~ roll

I want you to take the picture of you and family. Few shots of our home and Marumoto our neighbors. Take all kind of picture will you? Show to us how much it have changed since we left home.

The Marumoto Bros are doing fine in Utah. They all doing share crop.

Will I have need to write to

Good by
Yours friend,
Usami Judo

P.S. 50¢ to have the photos developed.

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