

Nov 25, 1984

Dear Mrs. Gunderson,

I hope you had a nice Thanksgiving.

Enclosed is a belated "thank you" note to you for all that you did for me (and many others) at Tule Lake.

I sent the original to the Fresno Bee asking them to publish it on Thanksgiving Day, but I don't know if they did. I decided the whole world should know about what a wonderful teacher I had during those turbulent years, so I sent a copy to our local newspaper, too, and they did publish it on Thanksgiving Day.

Unfortunately it has a few misspellings and some lines got mixed up in the printing, but I think the main message got across to the public, judging from a number of calls and letters I received in the past few days.

A local English teacher (High School) called to ask if I would talk about my experience to her classes as she had them read "Farewell to Manzanar" recently. She is of Irish descent and makes it a point to have her students learn about different minorities in the U.S.

I agreed, of course, to share my experience with them.

I also got a letter from a gentleman whose father was a minister of a church at Manganae and he himself remembers as a boy of 12-13 visiting the camp many times. (His daughter happens to be a classmate of our daughter JUNKO, now in 3rd grade.)

In any case, my wife SUN joins me in wishing you continued good health.

Kindly give our best to Marjorie and her family. (Can you possibly give me her address?)

Sincerely,

John

P.S. We see Glenn and his wife occasionally. They look well.

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*Also - letter while
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