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Dear Brothers,

Tonight I started to write because I just happened to remember that this week is "national brotherhood" week. As I think of you I hope you are thinking of me and the folks.

You know what! On Saturday night around 8:30, it started to snow. Then it didn't stop till around 8:30 on Sunday night. Then it snowed again in the middle of the night on Sunday. It hen we awake on Sunday morning, we looked out the windows and the whole camp was just simply beautiful. It was just like a drawing on a beautiful Christmas card. Trees and everywhere, had been piled with snow. On the ground it was 5-6 inches thick. On the branches, telephone wires and clothes



line, the snow was 2 inches thick. This morning when I went to school, the snow was way past my ankles. At lunch time we got a 60 mile an hour wind which blew all of the snow off of the harnesses. It's still blowing and it's cold as heck. All of the Alabama hills are completely white. The Inyo's aren't quite completely covered but below the Sierras, it's all filled with snow and it's a beautiful sight. All of the kids played snow ball fights including me. Boy, it sure makes your muscles ache. But it's fun. This afternoon we had no school because of the strong wind. Boy, I was glad. Did you have any snow? This is the thickest we've ever had here in Manzanar but I wish it would get thicker.



This morning at 6:30 the first group of Tubelaters left this camp. I think it was from Blk 1 - 12. Your, your school chum, Kim, left so I guess she'll meet Haruko H. there. Tomorrow our block is leaving at 6:30 and breakfast is from 5:30 - 6:30. Pretty early. Many people had said good by to us & it reminds me of the time we were going away from back home.

About the draft, Jim & Mac told me all about it & we were glad to hear that they postponed the exam for a month. If your taken, we will expect seeing you back here in April if I'm right. Mom has been worrying alot and wants hear from you more often. Please



write just for her, if you  
want to write to her &  
not to me, its okay, but  
just to please her please write.

Say, don't get mad at  
me, but this is the  
latest gossip I've heard.  
Maybe you know it already.  
I think Jimmy has a crush  
on Hird J. Am I right?

They aren't smoochy so don't  
think it that way but  
they go to places together &  
so forth (not going to gossip  
any more about that stuff).

Something funny happened  
last night, or should I say  
yesterday. Well, this is  
what happened. A Bachelor  
from 14-12-1 brought some  
of the made beer over to  
mae's house. Then in the  
afternoon from around three  
or something they invited a



lot of other men to drink. Some of them were Shiraki & Gashimura. Well, they drank & drank & pretty soon they were in that jolly mood and they started to sing. They yelled & sang a yoi yoi, yoi a sante and had a samisen playing. (The thing that Yokota (udy plays). Also they were clapping their hands & were making a bunch of racket. Mean while mom was going out the window & she saw them coming out. They all had red faces. Then mom said oh, ra, ak, ra, shiko shi das shi ta. & sure enough the guys were taking a leak right out there in the open in front of ma's barrack. Mom told me he couldn't go in because of that reason.



Then mom & I were just laughing like the devil & I had a belly ache for laughing so hard. I guess they all loose their senses when they drink a lot of beer.

See, Down the candy is still here but mom & I have been giving most of it away for the people who are leaving. I don't care but its a wonderful gift. Its a good appetizer & don't telling you, nothing could be more better. Its certainly delicious. Also the gum. I can't eat a lot of it because mom gets sore & says to eat it by pieces. So rightly so for dessert we cut a bar into thirds & then have tea with it. Well, thats all. Mousake.