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Hi there!

Yes, yes, yes, a picture of a professor with glasses came. It is pretty good. Oh yah!, the glass was cracked but pop got another one put in & it really looks as good as new!

Thanks a lot for your letters. If hold up your promise to write once a week, I will write once a week too.

All of us are fine. A couple of weeks after you left, Joe, I had a bad sore throat, which I possibly thought was tonsillitis so I got pretty scared because there are at least fifteen ~~cases~~ cases which included Kayoko Sugawara.

Last Friday there was a real big fire here in camp. The first one that we ever had! It all started around 5:15 p.m. when a guy of block 3 reported that a warehouse was on fire. It was nearly out when there was an explosion and another ware-

house was burning. The fire
men were eating at the time of
the fire and they ran out of the
warehouse with out any fire men
equipment. When the fire ended,
it was around 7:30 and three
warehouses were burned clear to
the ground. These warehouses were
warehouse 33, 34, & 35. Since
two of the warehouses were of
carpentry, a lot of drawers,
tables, chairs, & what nots burned.
Just at that time a new
supply of lumber had come in
and that was burned! The
other warehouse was filled
with paints, oils, kerosene &
stuff that were really able to
burn. That's what caused the
explosion. Now, you should
have seen the people of blk.
4, 3, 9, 10. They were really
scared. They had their roofs
watered & some of them even
were removing their luggages.

Leinie Lakes + Tokey Dujama were on duty, they really had to fight the fire. Tokey got a badly burned arm + there is no skin or hair on that part. Lakes had his new shoes on + when he got back, they were all charred + ripped by the fire. They still don't know what caused the big fire + they are still investigating.

I sent an annual to a pal of mine in Westwood and she says its the finest beautiful thing that she saw in ages. She said that he can't get any more annuals because the government won't allow them to use the paper for annuals. Too bad, huh! I guess the Manzanar kids are really lucky to have annuals! Oh! yes, I ordered an annual for you, Joe, and it will cost you \$2.25. Ask Joe if he wants one! Okay?

The reason I asked if you want
one is because I ordered one for
Ray Higa because he asked me
too. Then he wrote + said if
I could cancel it because some
one said that they already had
sent one, so be sure + Tell me
if you want one!

Yesterday you Kitagawa came
over + we had really good chat
about home. She looked in the
old photo albums + laughed like
anything! She asked me if
I would like to go swimming +
I said yeah, my daikons, every
one will laugh! she said, Ah
hell, daikons or not lets go,
so we both got our our jito
on + we went. She went to
the north gate on the side
of block 33. After traveling
for a while, we got there!
She swam + swam + had
a lot of fun for the 1st time
in ages. Boy, I didn't have a

swimming cap so my hair got all wet! Gosh, the first time I swam in 3 years! It was fun. Man! did I eat! my dick was just clean! Swimming sure makes you hungry! Since my hair got wet, I had to go to typing with straight hair! man, what a big mess!

Last Sunday, there was a big picnic at picnic grounds two. Man! blk, 20, 23, 17, and 14. He brought over some lunches. He had 2 wiener sandwiches, daikon no koke, nigiri nigiri, orange, banana, cha shu, watermelon, egg, punch & some other stuff.

Black 23 & 17 had theirs together & man, was it good! They got a lunch & then after lunch they got, ice cream, hot dogs, cantaloupe, punch and some other stuff. They were very

kind & they gave it to us too.

Our black & black so had a race together. It was for young & all people.

There was a race in which all of the ladies run and then peel a potato & then bring the peeled potato back. When all of the ladies were near the finish line, we heard a plop! and then a skid! and we all looked & it was Ben Haredi's mother! Gosh, what a laugh!

There was another race where all of the fat women gathered & had to get to the post with out dropping the orange off of the big tablespoon. Guess what! The fattest woman of the whole gang won the race. Man, every body just nearly collapsed when they saw her.

Boy, what a day! man, the picnic sure makes anybody feel at rest.

The weather has really changed! Right after you left Joe, it got cool all of a sudden! now we don't suffer as much as we used to.

Typing is really still the same as usual. The teacher said that I could type nearly 70 words a minute! Gosh, what do you think about that? I can't believe it. Can you?

About the camera! Joe, I don't think it would be very wise to send your camera in camp for me to use. I think it would be way better for you to get me a brownie of my own. You know, the kind without any kinds of gadgets on the top. Just the ~~same~~ kind that you like. You can forget about this if you want to but if you want to get me one, I'll be glad to pay you with

The \$16.00 check I got for working
at the black office. Since you
left, that Toshiko wrote a card
about the camera but it wasn't
important so I just threw it away.

School is going to start on
the 11th of Sept. and in Los
Angeles, school will start on
the 5th of Sept. By the way,
how about sending me a three
hole notebook! Mine got
all shot! you know, that
zipper one!

Well, it looks like this
is all I've got to say for
now so I'll write later.

Just
max

P.S. - Mack Mayuda seems to
have a lot of gals crazy
over him! Gosh, I nearly
fainted when Vieto Ishida
told me that! (Imagine!)