

Sunday note

Dear Jan: I've been wanting to write ever since the telegram came but things keep me going & before I know it here it's Sunday - one would think I wasn't happy about your job but, honey, I could have cried when the wire came - I think you did right to take that job - it's what you wanted from the very beginning & it's your field so what more could we ask for - the salary is fine - but tell me what firm you're working for & on what basis (trial one month or probation 6 mos. or what?) you didn't say anything about it in the letter I got on Saturday. See why I'm so relieved that I forgot how worn out I am & no longer feel the urge to have to get out immediately - Sure, I want to get out of here soon but the feeling isn't half what it was before - it's simply because now we have something to work definitely with & make certain plans for. I don't want to live in a flat - god forbid that - suburbs would be the thing - and, honey, I think it'll probably be hard to get a furnished

place - esp. because of the bed - landlords hesitate
about that but because ^{rapid} depreciation of furniture
is too certain - But - before Yuri & Wah
left we talked about furniture left at the nursery
& since the W.R.A. is paying now for all
freight from anywhere to where you are (even
crate it) some of the stuff ought to be sent out to
where we will live - like a couple of beds (apparently
you had no double beds) - The strange thing about
a lot of this talk with Wah is this - I think
you'll remember ~~she~~ before she had the hitched stuff
sent here she talked with you & then me about
it & said part of the stuff would be ours etc.
etc. & didn't we think it was a good idea to
have it sent here since we would eventually
relocate etc. - Well, honey, she talked in
the same manner after the stuff came but
when it came time to do their packing she
repacked the hitched utensil etc. box - & left
nothing for us but some old dishes & 2 water
glasses!! you needn't say anything to her about

this - I didn't say anything to her but did tell
you what I thought of it all - Why in the world
did she ever bother to discuss having the box sent if
she didn't want to part with the stuff in it -
I'm not hurt because she didn't give me any
of it cause a lot of it isn't what I would want
anyway but there's ~~even~~ certainly a lot wrong
with that person's mental makeup. What is she
going to do with 4 frying pans? - Start a restaurant?

I tell you this because I no longer know what
or how she thinks about the furniture in spite
of having talked it over with her. In any case,
let's get back to this business of your making a house-
later on I'll tell you about this stuff etc. -

I guess we ought to have a place with 2 bedrooms &
if possible three. your idea of having Kay a
Johnnyline with you is fine - your idea
of possibly having Yuki go ~~to~~ east with me &
help with the children is good but I think it's
asking a lot of Yuki - but tell me what happens
in the near future - Coming back to the furniture

I think we're simply going to have to buy some -
second hand is okay but I'd like a hand in it -
guess we'll have to borrow or steal some money.
we have to get either Miki or Kanjo a bed - guess
it's best to get Miki a larger one but I suggest
we wait a while since springs etc. are going
to be made again soon.

precious darling I'm so happy about your job -
I've got nervous when you said you were nervous
in your letter - my hand shook (ain't that awful)
but you're the boy - hope the other 2 days were
good - Is it a 5 day week? you mentioned
finding work for Saturdays & Sundays which
is why I ask. Oh boy, do I have my fingers crossed!

It's been sort of lonely since your sisters left but
I'm relaxed so much that I'm amazed at how tense
I've been in the last year or so - I got all the work
done in less time - consequently have more free time
and am a great deal happier. Mrs. Janikawa
offered to help me - & she's really awfully
sweet - her daughters are real swell friends
for Miki - they've always wanted to play
with her but you know why they couldn't.

I've asked Mrs. Naumii about this business of what
to do about paying Mrs. Tambahwa & she said ~~she~~ since
she offered to help I should leave it as such and
give them something before we leave - Mrs. T.
keeps an eye on Mihi while I work in the
mornings & then her kids play with her after school.
Kango is really wonderful - he plays by himself
so well - & then when he gets sleepy - simply
lies down & goes to sleep by himself - the only
thing is he still eats in the middle of the night but
he just gets hungry - & Mrs. N. says - "feed him,
he's hungry" - otherwise he bawls his head off -
oh - he's got a fifth tooth now & is breaking through
#6 - Boy is he cute - plenty of personality &
boyish. Both kids are beginning to put on weight -
Mihi is eating so much now & is really a lot
better off now - No more distractions in the
middle of meals etc. (a couple of nights she ~~stayed~~^{wake}
up (once talked in her sleep) - & asked for Wake - she
misses her men now asked for her occasionally.
I wake her up the morning they left ~~so~~⁺ she saw them
go on the truck so she knows they're gone - just as

she knows you went by e bye.

Today we saw some sunshine - first time in about 2 weeks - the weather has been awful - thunder storms & snow together - wind, rain - gally robes, maybe tomorrow will be nice because the sky is clear tonight - Mike is still afraid of thunder & so keeps wanting to go n-n-n - refused to eat the other noon - went to sleep instead.

K III dont like the rumbling either - so boy I had a three ring circus going for a while. I say 3 ring 'cause I dont like it much either.

now about your sisters stuff -

its all in the next room - crated & packed except the sewing machine & ironing board which I'm still using & the table & chairs (it's their acc. to Wash. I didnt argue) - these have to be crated when I leave to be sent to them. The place is one helluva mess but that cant be helped. - in due time our room will be a mess too.

It was awful the way your sisters acted - they didnt want anybody to know they were leaving - I dont know why. So they hid ~~away~~ their own packing had a crate made by the Property Dept.

Boy, I'm sure finding out what the black people think of them - not very complimentary to say the least - too snobbish - Mrs. Harini has told me what some people have said + see why -

A lot of the criticism is justified though.

you know Mrs. H. wasn't even told but a day before they left - I think that's awful. -

So does she. Why do they have to be so secretive about such things - Can't they be normal - share things with people? -

Boy honey, never again will I live with either of them - + I mean ~~to~~ it. - Ohay, they've helped me - I appreciate it a very much but boy I sure have been made to feel every bit of their help.

Monday -

A letter from Neh came today - said she was going to try to see you in N. York on Sunday (I think that's what she meant).

I'd better get this mailed - there's lots ~~more~~ ^{more} to write but it's getting late (K III's 6th tooth is out now)
Lot o' luck honey - Love - Selby