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Dear Kaw,

When I came back from my hurried trip to Granada camp, I found your letter waiting for me for which — thanks a million. Very glad to hear from you. Regret to read that you're still looking for a house, but I do really hope that by this time you have something definite or some good prospects.

As soon as I went home this time, I had to take Tok and Thais into Granada for shopping, so on our way, we stopped in on your family. We found Miki fast asleep, but Kanego greeted us as we walked in. I don't think he remembered me, but didn't seem to mind and greeted me as one of his regular pals. Then the evening before I left for Lomas I stopped again — this time Kanego was ~~also~~ asleep and Miki was just waking up or maybe we woke her up, but

anyway I think she remembered me. It has been over three months since I saw them last. Your family are all doing okay, but I'm sure Sally is very anxiously waiting for the good news from you and relocate as soon as possible.

Thanks for your inquiry about our crops. Very fortunately we have been missing the damaging hail & etc. Especially this last hail, in which many of the ranchers and nurserymen in the Denver to Pueblo areas suffered greatly. On our way back from camp, we stopped at Rocky Ford, Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Littleton and Denver, and we have seen and heard of some ^{the} pitiful cases of the crop damages. It seems that the hail struck in strips along the river and creeks - a strip about 1 1/4 mile along the streams. Many farmers along these streams have been hit 100%, a total loss. The glasses for ^{the} greenhouses runs into quite a sum of money and they are afraid if they will

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not be able to replace all of them, since the supplies are limited. Not only the glasses, but the flowers and etc. for the Holiday trades are in many cases total loss. This is the second time that we have missed such hazards. The first one, struck about 3 miles from our ranch and damaged the corns and other crops in that area.

At present, we are in the midst of harvesting lettuce and carrot seeds. Later we will harvest cucumber seeds. We are working with Mr. Hirasaki, whom you know. We have planted about 40 acres of onion seeds for next year already. Most of these onion seeds are intended for the Surplus Commodities Corp. for Lend-Lease purpose. We have also seeded about 20 acres of Parsley for seeds. Next year ~~we~~ we will grow almost 100% for seeds. This year, we have some tomatoes for cannery, sugar beets, cucumbers for pickling and etc., but we're finding out that we can do better with seeds.

Do you know Hideo Hoshimoto? Well, we have been told that the Methodist Church board has assigned him to the Grand Junction area to work among church people of this area. Maybe some of us might be going to church some of these days. I don't know him too well, but his brother farmed in Livingston, and he use to visit and work during the summer months for his brother. I believe his is ordained, formerly a student at U. S.

Please give my best regards to the Hoshinos, Hamadas and others whom I know.

I thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely
mine

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