

Wednesday, July 5

Hello Kan!

Well the great week-end is over. I wonder how you spent your days. Being a working man did you get the advantages of the Federal and State declared holiday of the third. Or didn't New York declare Monday a Holiday. Gosh, I don't know how to describe this weather. I guess the shortest way is to say it is the typical Fourth one--gloomy and slightly cool. It has been that way for some time now, about a week. Yesterday as I sat doing nothing in the afternoon, I was wondering if you were taking the "gylopy", the Spirit of California, out for a running or perhaps the Fair was your trip. Whatever you did, I hope and suppose you enjoy the Independence Day. Truly independent.

I got a few minutes here in the office--I hear the 12o'clock whistle already-- while Niich is waiting on the customers, only one car. A black Cadillac. Hep, I'm up here to do the sale tax reports. It doesn't look bad. I see where I'm stepping on the long tape under the table so, at least for the month of April, I guess it was good. The June statement I got out in one afternoon, so you can guess the sale.

I hear them come in and I know that Pappa is hungry, That man had quite a week-end. MY! My! Niich is planning to leave for the North Friday morning with Mr. Crombie so last night we had a little of China for supper at home. Tok' is with us yet. She probably will be here until Min comes back from his vacation. He and Sam and his brother left last week-end for Nevada way and don't expect to be back before the end of this week. Meanwhile she is enjoying the cooler climate.

Niich has a chain across the entrance driveway here at the Nursery now and he puts his Close Today sign on the chain. I got the honor for running over the sign first. He has it just where it lays on the wheel track when you let the chain down. I tried the first time to miss it and did but the second time. I hit the corner. I don't think he knows it yet.

(Back from lunch)

And how did your decorating trees come along? Now that you say it, I don't remember seeing many Dept. store around here with such for setting in their display windows. Or maybe I just don't go to those. I imagine something that would last fairly long time without its leaves or flowers dropping off will be more favorable for display unless the concern is one which changes its displays every day. Yep. I think you are quite a sales talker. Of course with Pa around it is pretty hard for anyone to surpass him; but out there, I doubt there is anyone like him. Maybe you will be qualified for Business Administration by the time you leave the present firm.

Did you want to have your Architectural Forum subscription renewed? I noticed that the copy runs out soon. If I don't forget, I'll enclose the card in this letter. I know the forwarding postage comes up from here so if you're going to need it, you might as well get it direct. The last issue is worthwhile keeping because of the Fairs issue-- the S.F. and N.Y. with very good pictures. Have you heard from Wright since or made any definite plans about going out there to Wisconsin? Gee, its a pretty long ride heh?

Don't get blown under in the storm. Then we wouldn't be able to find you until Ground hog day next year. Perhaps you wouldn't mind that then you would be able to prove without any shadow of doubt, that you are a better weather prophet.

There was quite a nice write up about Gii's baby son Vernon in today's Japanese newspaper. He is the only or one of the very few fourth generation today. June's mother is a second generation. The other award for the person living the longest in this country went to Unc. The joke this noon, was that both he and Pa. were at a Kyshu-gen kai meeting in Alameda that Sunday afternoon and Unc. says to Pa. that they both can't leave this meeting for the J.C.L. Pioneer's night in S.F. so Unc. says he will go to S.F. Pa. says he sees it all now. If he went that award will go to Pa. instead of Unc. Just after we had joked about it, Unc. phoned and so Pa. told him that he got that on a fraud because at least I touched these American soil an hour or two before you because you wouldn't let me take charge of the baggages when we came, declaring that you would since you were the oldest. I'm afraid Unc. will have to hear that for some time to come.

The Japanese gardeners have finished the Shibata's garden and are working at Enomoto's place in Redwood. Pa. stopped by there last week and said it was a very nice one. Not as large as the one in Mt. Eden but very artistic and tasty. The rocks were bought from a regular rock dealer I guess, and he too, has built a small tea house. It seems as though Mr. Nakashima now wants one too. Mt. Shibata was telling Pa. that at first Mr. Nakashima used to come daily, to see the work at his place, but after about a week, he quit coming because it was starting to look too good.

Although I'm not a member of the C. C. of Hayward, I must tell you about the latest improvements of this part of the country-- The southern Alameda County,-- you remember; because it would be bad if you should roll over from your hills some day and just pass on not recognizing the "Main Street", B street of Hayward. Well, they are widening B. from Watkins to First and are putting new street light in as well. Simultaneously many of the stores are remodeling and rebuilding. Hauschildt's have already open their new store which now takes in the whole building, The inside is finished all in white. The restaurant which was next to it went down to a newly modeled store at the site of the former Auto Grill. The other half of the frontage is a Dress Shop. The Gallenkamp Shoe store is going to move too I think and the Hagstrom store is all torn down except the front facade, The Store itself is going to be rebuilt with parking accommodations in the back. Doesn't this sound auspicious or something. Yep, Hayward is all right. It still can hold its place with the building and the traffic accidents. The race of the Western and the Southern lines of railroad crossing casualties is still on I think. I forgot which is the ahead though.

Oh, did Yuri tell that Kosuke and his mother and sister stopped by about a couple of Sundays ago. Mrs. Ijichi was worried about what to tell Mrs. Shima in regards to Ringy's wedding. She said she couldn't say much because she didn't know until way after herself. It seems as though the young ones knew it before the oldsters and kept mum about it.

Gosh, I better get going. so Goodbye until the next

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Nope, it isn't Niich's letter, it ~~Ma~~ne. (excuse gramatical error)and spelling

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Ans..... ME. That fool who thought it was just a family stomach- ache.

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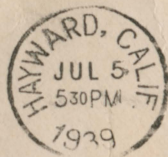
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