

Wednesday

Dear Kam,

So you think my handwriting is neat, was that meant as a compliment or another way of saying how's about writing more often - any way you're correct about having to write lots of letters, never thought I'd ever have to write so much but it's just about the only way of keeping in touch with everyone. You know composition was my worst subject at both grammar + high school too.

I'll be seeing June + Hi in just about three weeks from now and I'll carry your regards up to them. June's address is 4800 Golf Terrace, Edina Minneapolis, Minnesota. Did you know that her brother Taka was killed in action in Italy?

You know Alice, my niece was married didn't you - her husband was sent overseas just recently and she's visiting in Chicago for several weeks before returning to Tokyo so I've been showing her parts of the city. Last night she had a birthday get-together and it was quite a gathering as all her husband's brother and sisters are here. Perhaps you may have heard of him from Tsunehawa formerly of Stockton and I understand they use to have a nursery and a flower shop.

You're counting the days now til my vacation begins, it won't be quite as nice as it use to be but still it's going to be swell seeing familiar faces again - am leaving September 15 for Denver for several days then on to Minneapolis for the remainder of the week.

I could have <sup>gone</sup> a week earlier but I've got tickets for "Oklahoma" on the 9th and I can't miss that cos I've been waiting & waiting to see it, I understand it's really worth while.

So you think if I came to New York you can fix me up, well perhaps I may take you up on that a little later in the year. Smaller man shortage that had in New York? While I was up at Crystal Lake I mentioned to Alice that I went out on a blind date with a nice looking girl and now every time I see her she wants to know if I'm engaged or married yet.

I haven't seen them for nearly two months now but Ken and I are driving out Labor Day, yes I said driving out Ken's brother bought a car I think it's a '36 Plymouth and Ken is borrowing for the day. Some class huh?

The Japanese personnel of our shop is getting smaller & smaller two has been inducted into the Army and so far no replacements so it's keeping the rest of us quite busy. I haven't had the opportunity to pound out fender a la Gene Krupa as yet but will try it when I have a little more time, they <sup>do</sup> say <sup>it</sup> them in your work makes it go faster but I don't know.

guess that's just about all for now so will be seeing you.

Sincerely  
Ellin.

I addressed the letter incorrectly  
so it came back. Am mailing  
it right away please pardon the  
delay. ellie

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