

Sunday while wait-
ing for the rice to
boil- our apto.
Suite #2.

Dear Kan:

Your last letter to #13 Parkman St., was very well received. I liked the last page the best--not because it was the only one I saw in full but the context of it was good. Yuri had a little difficulty in making a 'Jew' out of the Japanese but that was, I am told because you had it ku-jue~~e~~.etc. and not ku plus ichi; which made a 'jew', I thought. Gee, Kan, I'M not kidding when I say I appreciated that letter because you in your manner got a message over to Yuri which I would never have succeeded in my way, much as I tried to convey the idea. At times, I didn't know just how to tell her not to be too much - well I don't know just how to say it, except only you would understand if I said, just too much Yuri. You see? Don't tell her so, or she would be sore at me. And after all, we do have to live together for awhile and this place has only one door to run outside. We could go round incircles- thru the hall, to kitchen, living-room, bed-room and back to hall- or reverse, and then go the school yard and chase each other there I suppose. However, I don't think I should do that, since I know that there is a ward B-7, and 8 for the violent ones, across the street at the Mass. General.

We are gradually getting things settled- or scattered here in our apt. The landlord came in today to put in a new piece of linoleum on the hall. It took him almost five hours for the small hall. Of course, he put a lighter piece of border around which takes more time but I think he is a Jew and his time doesn't mean as much to him as the dollars. In his manner, he is able to use smaller pieces and less expensive. He is going to tackle the bath room next and that will certainly take more time, with all the cutting and fitting one has to do, when it took him so long to do a simple straight hallway. Our freight hasn't come yet but we hope soon. Sally certainly has gone through a lot of trouble for us. Good thing she went down to the office. We certainly were fortunate she did. How about your househunting? Children add another difficulty when renting a place and I have thought of the possibility that you would have to almost buy one. However, I am not familiar with the fuel supply condition there in the N.Y. vicinity and don't know whether it would be advisable to buy a place of your own and find it hard to heat the place during the cold. The system they have established here in our building is that during the cold winter two winters ago, the last was mild they tell me,--many of the tenants couldn't get fuel because the dealers didn't know them since they were new arrivals and strangers to them and so didn't supply them with the fuel when it got cold and short. Because of this, now the landlord has made some arrangements with the board for fuel and he gets it for us, whenever we run out. I don't know how it actually works when the demand is great, but we pay an initial fee for the service. Yuri mentioned about you going to see a house or a place in the suburbs with Takako- how does it look. I have thought of the idea of getting a house on the FHA plan, figuring that you would have to pay so much a month for rent anyways, and figure to sell the place for the initial deposit but I don't know if a reasonable arrangement can be made with the FHA, nor the advisability of such when or if you are not too sure that you would stay in that vicinity long enough to warrant such a loan. You may need such aid more, later on when things are more definite and the fact that you had taken such a loan for more a temporary thing, find that aid is not available.

That make any sense to you? It is all a jumble I know, after reading the last paragraph now--We have had our dinner. The rice was good for a change of bread. Say, how about rice in N.Y. How do the niseis find the price and the products. I haven't found any as good as those we used to eat in the camp and I hear that some places won't sell anymore than ten pounds to a customer at one time. The price varies according to the brand and quality from 12-17 cents a pound. Tonight was the 14¢, next time I'm going to try some 16¢ long grain kind and see there is any difference. There is a Jewish section near here--the opposite of the hospital, with many veg. and fruit stands, plus the Jewish meats and delicatessens. Have you ever had Jewish pickles? There're good.. a little garlicky and not as sour as the dill pickles. Gosh, I got side tracked on food. Well, back to the jumbles....

I ~~asked~~^{told} my chief the other day ~~that~~ that I may have to leave because I need more money to meet my needs. She immediately said she would try to get me a little more from the Director if I would consider staying. I told her, I hadn't considered getting a raise there, so would have to think it over. I told her, my sister is considering school, in which case, I certainly cannot carry on at the wages I am now getting. The ~~old~~ 'S', my headache immediate boss, is all excited now at the thought of losing me, and my, has she been another person. Of course she just came back from her vacation this past week and so feeling pretty good and I told her Friday too, that I am considering leaving because of the financial needs, and she suggested that I go see about some additional part time jobs a couple nights a week at the hospital to help along. Just now, I am trying to make up my mind, just what I want to do. I do hope you will be able to make the trip here for Yuri and Dick's wedding. I don't know just when or how or where, but I am looking forward to seeing you.

I'm turned secretary now, per Yuri... She wants to know what you think about announcements- whether she should have any printed and to whom she should send them to. Also who would make the announcement of the event. Right now, she also states, it looks like the 16th of Sept. Sat. as the most likely date of the occasion. However, she would let you know, of course more as things are decided more definitely here. Have you heard from Son, recently? I had a letter from her this past week. She is leaving Gila for the Seabrook Farm, in New Jersey, wasn't it. George left on Aug. 2, after interviewing the Farm representative at Gila, for the tour of the place and was very much impressed by the outfit it seems and wired Son, that the place is better than expected and that he is returning to the Camp to recruit 150 people and for her to get ready to leave with him for relocation. I don't just what to think or say excepting that Camp is no place for people if they can manage outside. It must be getting worse with the casualty lists coming. More Bitterness and unhappiness which is hard to explain or console! I also heard from Tok. She of course doesn't enjoy her lot but being a swell person, she doesn't mourn too much about her lot. But she does want to get away; but realize the difficulties involved. Sally probably told you that the Tanikawas have gone. Tok said that Miki was such a quiet person when she last saw her. It was soon after the Tanikawas left and naturally she was a little lonesome I guess. I do hope you will be able to make some arrangements soon, too. Tak also sends you her best wishes and luck in finding a place. (Yuri says, "I showed Dick the sketches and he said that if you don't have time to write, he understands".) I guess about school.)

Yuri has written to 'oichi but as of today, has received no answer. Son wrote and said that Mrs. Okamoto who was visiting her daughter Alice, became suddenly very seriously ill and that Mr. Okamoto went to Crystal Lake too. She had some sort of rare skin disease and that she had several transfusion and even penincellin and etc. What excitement! I haven't as yet written them a 'so sorry letter' since neither of them have written to us. I shall wait too. before I do. I think our brother's excuse for not answering Yuri's letter will be that his mother-in-law has been very ill. From Son's letter, I gather that she is already out of danger. Have you hear of any casualty from Topaz, and any of the kids around home? I guess they will be coming in too, soon, from out of the Pacific.

When you next see Dr. Togasaki, will you tell her that I received her very nice letter but as yet have not contacted Mrs. Copeland, her friend, but hope to do so very shortly. I should try to write to Yoshiye myself very soon. I don't just when. Nor do I have much to say now, so until next, I shall turn to some ironing. Say, how does one turn an indirect electric appliance into a direct current one? Just think, this part of old Boston is direct current, Gee. What things we do come up against. Most of the newer districts are indirect I am told but we have been hitting the direct current section. So you can guess what part of Boston we have been associating with. Hep, the old Bostonian. s. p. Talk about accent-- You should hear Yuri sometimes. Boy, does she put it on-- pretty thick for to a wild Westerner like me. Oh, really! Good bye, How's Yuki liking N.Y. and the heat. We certainly got it last week. It finally broke with a thunder storm on Thursday night.

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