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Hi, Vince,

Trust this finds you well. Am writing to see if you can help refresh my mind about Larry and the Little Tokyo of the 1931-33 period. I was there at the time and covered the Olympic Games for the Rafu Shimpō.

I was a great admirer of Larry's literary page in the Sunday Kashu Mainichi. I remember he drove several of us to Long Beach to visit one of his contributors, Chiye Mori.

Do you remember what kind of jalopy he had? We broke down once in a driving rainstorm and did we get soaked. This information I'm seeking is just for authenticity.

Do you remember where the basketball league games were played. I think it was at some high school. We had a run-in with some Spartans at this school because Larry had written something about the team's rough tactics the previous year.

Who was the Los Angeles Times columnist who was always writing about the Green Verdugo hills?

I'm trying to recall the four buildings at the corners of East 1st and San Pedro streets. Was it the Miyako Hotel at the southwest corner and the Tomio office building right opposite on the southeast corner? What were on the other two corners isn't that important.

Do you remember one of Larry's contributors, the poet Brownie Furutani from Hilo, and what happened to him?

Is there any book with photos of that period showing this famous corner? I'll send you a check for the cost.

This is kind of helter skelter, Vince, but any little things would be helpful. This is in connection with my second book. My first, I now learn, may be out in the spring. At the rate the press is going it may become posthumous.

Take care,

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