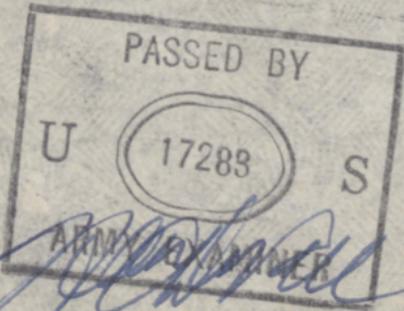


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Dear Yuri -

The last Vmail didn't give me much chance to say anything - and today being my day off, thought I'd continue. After I mailed the Vmail, I began wondering if I had said the right thing. Was feeling low due to having read the June 24<sup>th</sup> issue of the Pacific Citizens about the time the Amache publication came. Felt peeved after reading the various articles in the P.C. - the Supreme Court decision, Gov. Warren's policy, the incorporation of papers to prevent future return of us to Calif., the childish trampling of victory gardens, and other like articles. Don't even recall if I had thanked you for sending the publication. If not, many thanks right now. I didn't mean to be rude.

Heard from Tak yesterday and she tells me that the Domoto household is expecting still more new comers. Guess you heard about Yo already. Looks like the Shibotas are way behind in their maternal as well as matrimonial status. But dad isn't altogether pleased with it. Maybe I should ask Kan to write to my brother a

letter of encouragement<sup>2</sup> — saying that the  
"ball & chain" life isn't bad at all. It's an  
idea any way.

Went to a carnival last night — some-  
thing like the Foley & Burke shows that used  
to park their money taking devices on lower  
A street. You get your various stalls  
with their hoarse voiced barkers. They  
had dips which were mostly responsible for  
the feminine shrieks — the milk bottle games  
where soldiers & sailors used five or six shillings  
to get a one shilling worth doll for their girl  
friends — the fun house with those holes  
in the floor, a merry go round and its familiar  
tunes — the roulette wheels — game like bingos,  
— a sledge hammer (for those who wanted to  
show off their masculine strength) to ring a  
bell, exhibits of native animals, a whirling  
coasters to help the yankee gov get better ac-  
quainted with his Aussie date, etc. The  
animal exhibit was interesting. Learned that  
the kangeroos ~~alone~~ were not the only mammals  
to have baby carrying pouches. They're called  
marsupials — there are almost 100 different  
species. Even a small mouse is like that. So  
is the Koala Bear. Now that I've seen a  
kangeroo, I feel as if I've really seen Australia.

Till now couldn't help but associating  
the two. It's like elephants in Africa, or  
camels in Sahara, -

They have a concert here in this city  
weekly, but somehow they don't coincide  
with my days off. Did get a chance  
to see the University of this district.  
With spring coming around next month,  
the campus should get really beautiful.  
Especially with all their semi-tropical  
trees. Bldgs are the shade of Stanford's. They  
may not have a Campanile or a Hoover Library,  
but they have a conspicuous edifice to  
preserve living knowledge - the air raid  
shelters. Servicemen monopolize the campus  
just as in U.S.A. It's too bad that the  
beauty of the buildings should be marred  
with the adhesive tape criss-crossed like  
a linoleum pattern on the windows. Supposed  
to prevent glasses from flying in case of air-raid.

Spend most of our time off taking in  
shows. Pictures are old but we don't mind -  
at least they're not filled with war propagan-  
da - Was getting tired of these flag waving  
speech in middle of recent pictures. Saw  
Lost Horizon last night. Boy, what I  
wouldn't give to be in Shangri La! Other

movies I have seen - "G.W. & Wind", H. M. Pullman,  
Esquire, Tortella Flats, This Above All, Suspicion, Penny  
Serenade, etc. How are movies in Granada?  
Do you get to see them often?

Tak is trying to get a commission -  
I hope she makes it. How about you, Yuri?  
are you still taking time off from your  
work to be with your dad? After all  
the work you've been doing in the past,  
your new routine must make you feel like  
a lady of leisure.

Can't write anything pertaining to our  
work except it's really interesting. Experience  
I'm getting should provide many hours of  
entertainment in future fireside chats. Guess  
it's the same with you. You can't uproot  
people from life long dwelling places and  
not have a story. Hope we get a chance to  
swap our tales soon.

My best wishes to everyone at 6F5C.

Sincerely,  
Yoshito

August 10<sup>th</sup>

Still Somewhere in Australia.