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Dear Yuri:

Thank you for your letter. It was forwarded to me & bid me welcome Tuesday morning. Although it was sort of funnell letter but nevtheless it was nice one to read. Yes we have been here since Monday and all those crew are working their heads off to prepare ways for their new comers.

As I'm writing this letter buses are rolling in. Understand Santa Barbarans are coming in around four o'clock. Terror is asleep at present as I'm trying to write few points.

If you are to be evacuated into new assembly center & if they are calling for volunteers - Go as typist or stenographer

electrician, carpenter, plumber (2.)

This applies to men folks as well. By doing this you go first in a smaller group. You get the pick of the camp. Get fairly settled before rest arrives and you can get adjusted quickly. In your case you or Dad could apply for job & rest that is papa can travel with you. Then men folks will have work to do as to pay is uncertain. Especially if your assembly center is to be made from fair grounds later arrivals are bunked in the old stables. Guadalupe group were last large group to arrive & they were lucky that they got into new quarters. Made arrangements this morning & met Alice's mother in the washing & laundry room. My duty is done.

If other shower rooms are like ours all shower in one room - no partition

Bring rubber or beach slippers or something so you can get it wet) do not have to stand barefooted on the same floor - Bring bathing suit if you are modest.

Lavatory are terrible - There is a rectangle box with 4 seats on each side - No partition - no privacy - it is purgatory for those who have menses. Mrs. Akamoto said she bought some kind of seat (toilet) but I could not understand quite well. However she said she was writing to Alice about it.

Bring some type of heavy cotton for curtains as the mesh type are too thin. It is about 37" wide - about 40 inches high but you do not have to cover from top as the glass pane is divided in half horizontally.

Burlap clothbags as so far we have no closets - your type of hooks are quite convenient as they can be screwed into 2x4's will hold many clothes

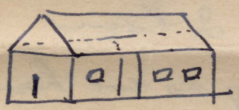
Two heavy drape type curtains or large canvas will help to make partitions the room with the rope you have tied your blankets with

Card table & folding chairs are convenient although table & chairs are promised to us. One plate electric plate & pan will come in handy for mothers who have young one - Jim using at present a little water heater & ward the children in the room. Less use of public utilities the better.

Food are all right - can't complain when they feed so many.

On account of dirt floor in the rest room I myself do not care for slacks - I think culotte type of dress are better. This type may not be so in your case.

Bring plenty of good bedding for nights are cold - one thickness of wall & the rooms are not tight. that is the



- the partition between each room does not go clear up to the roof - just to the eaves. ⌂ like this.

It is raining this morning Friday and I guess is sure up your way. My all the children are rotten

It was like vacation a couple days till the first large group came here.

However this is the life - With no newspaper & no personal radio - News from

outside world is cut off and I wonder what is this anyway. Looking up to the distant snow capped mountains everything looks so serene & then I look around me young & old trying to get adjusted to their new surroundings & making the best of it.

So far no regulations as we haven't been organized & have had no meetings.

Must to get it out today. I have nothing to complain as long as we have Jesus with us. Gee it is certainly pathetic to see mothers come in with three or four little tots in all steps & so faster to help them. In the family where children are grown up it is not so bad. This is war time & yet the youngsters are running around as if they do not realize the full significance but as we the adult.

Love to everyone
Son