

Hospital  
June 26<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday

Dearest Henri -

Dr. Sagiyama got in last night and he made the rounds so we all got to see him a minute. He said he'd examine me "tomorrow" so I thought he'd do it today and waited from morning until 2:30 when he finally came. He didn't.

He said he'd do it in the morning and that I could probably go home tomorrow afternoon. That anything could have caused it and it could have happened to anyone. That he intended to leave on a month's trip to California and was leaving middle of June - 15 - 18<sup>th</sup>. Hadn't made up his mind,

yet <sup>at the date</sup> but wouldn't be here to deliver my baby. See I was so disappointed! I've been so happy over the thought he'd be here then.

But there are others here - de Haan & Collier who are capable - so I shouldn't fuss. But Collier doesn't give anaesthetic to ease birth pain. de Haan <sup>neither, +</sup> just lets you tear. It takes so long to heal when you tear, instead of a clean cut, and scar remains, too. I feel like leaving for S.F. right now, and would do it if it weren't such a fool plan. Anywhere outside is better than de Haan & Collier here.

Martha probably won't get here til too late if she doesn't get started before July 1st because civilian travel after July 1st East to West will only be on priority & she'll not get any. Darn her! She thinks she can get here by bus I guess.

She might to know buses would be full too. I wired her last night & had the ambulance carrier go to the telegram window. Night letter. Told her to discontinue negotiation with WRA Mpls. & spend down \$ for fare & come before restriction sets in. Mpls WRA says she must have War Labor Board release, and written proof of housing on coasts she's writing you for it.

Looks like you may have to come here for your 2 weeks vacation after all, she's out of July. You evidently have made no plans to work the 2 weeks anyway, and will probably give your time to the returnee paper. You're so sure others with fewer responsibilities can do it, Henri. Adequately if not with finesse as you might put it out. But family's first.

I've called for med-social worker but she hasn't come to see me. I'd like her to write Mpls WRA that I'm pregnant with one small one & need her help & that she'll go on to SF - so she can help me relocate, too, & collect fare Mpls to SF at Topaz.

Aside from all this delay & aggravation over Martha's ~~part~~ (right after Salada situation) plus Sumi Hagihara who put Papa out of \$ to the tune of a huge sum, Papa wants to leave soon, can't pack due to having to see after Pinkie. Mrs. Sato leaves day after tomorrow. Nedbal sold laundry for \$6,000 & didn't tell us til sale nearly completed, & bills us for \$250<sup>00</sup> while in the mail my cancellation of his power of atty. (written by proj. atty) crossed his letters. So he hurries it up & completes sale & records it at City Hall. Proj. atty. maintains noone but real estate man has right to collect fee for real estate sale. When I get out of the hosp. we'll see whether \$250. must be paid or not, by consulting proj. atty. We have check for \$15,946.89 which bank won't cash without their endorsement - other-wise he'd have deducted his fee of \$250. - I'm sure. So when I get out I'll send it to check acct. writing Papa check for same or whatever, this time. Maybe we'll get tripped up on it

(alien land law) if we give him <sup>3</sup> \$ right away. He may invest it some way soon & Martha or I can use either or both our names & it may be better. Deposit it in savings for interest I guess.

Rev. Kawamota came back & said to Papa that our house was a madhouse with  $\frac{1}{2}$  L and it was a bad mistake, that maybe when the family resettled in it, it may be different but that it was a wild place. I conclude the day he visited to be the day the low class Oklahoma girls frisked around the place, & explained to Papa even Iba was ashamed. (What a blessing you told me) <sup>at least I signed up for</sup> But Papa says he's not the sort of person who can live with  $\frac{1}{2}$  L and said since the house isn't his, he'll get out. He doesn't want to be a guest in another's home for long. When he settles his affairs and gets his stuff together he's leaving Arnette.

I told <sup>him</sup> Freeborns probably will return to Oklahoma soon's they know definitely about C's discharge. But the Fancasters will be there so he'll still feel bad I guess. And if he doesn't get own bed, own furniture, own room, I'm sure he'll feel that much more unwanted & pushed around. I guess you would too, before you learn the ways. Even in wartime, not every one uses their home for the wear & tear of a USO clubhouse. It probably doesn't impress the neighbors one iota since WAVES & WACS & SPARS with their boyfriends lived there before, you know. It just makes Hawaiian nisei feel better.

I told Papa we'd probably be just the family when the Freeborns leave due to the tables needing more room & probably being a nuisance to whoever outside may come so it would be impossible to rent if we had room. But he was mad. I gave him key you enclosed & he felt better. But we had a good fight as usual during visit, hour.

I'm sorry that's too big - didn't think you liked it because you never spoke of it - but I did think you needed one, & noted size on your old corduroy & ordered one larger for Father's Day. Please return soon -

Laundry basket arrived, I hear - crowding up the already crowded room. Well, it'll be useful. It cost more with the stand, but I couldn't count on your making me a stand because you have so much else to make and do when we get back. Papa says it's so flimsy.

I wish you'd take woodcraft or whatever & be making

things for us - the home & babies, while you're  
there waiting & working, but I guess you  
can't do that & entertain too. When we  
go back I expect you'll be too busy with  
us to make <sup>anything</sup> ~~anything~~. What happened to Pinkie's cute fenced-in  
bed in the magazine you said you'd make? I'm  
sure you have the lumber for it. It doesn't take  
much. Ah, the basement walls - esp. the  
garage side must look so nice and light  
and white with calomine or white wash if you  
used. I can feel happy already to go home to  
our living room and see the ceiling <sup>spotless</sup>  
white. Martha, Takao & I did <sup>on Stanga St.</sup> M's room <sup>once</sup> &  
it was beautiful. So I can visualize ours at  
Aguello. I guess the walls now seem dark in  
comparison. Doesn't it? But one day soon we'll  
do it pale blue or lt. grey tint to go more  
with maroon furniture and get a grey rug.  
I'm anxious to brighten the kitchen where I'll spend a  
great deal of time <sup>when family two goes oftenest.</sup>  
I guess you abandoned the basement  
kitchenette idea after you got there. You were going to  
do it 1st thing. But after all, you did the garage & l. room  
so besides shoving stored goods around you must have  
had enough to do. You must be proud of the ceiling in  
the l. room whenever you open <sup>the room</sup> for company.  
I know it'll not be a picnic from now on.  
Every day and night will be a new round of hectic life I'm  
not used to. I know I don't like it. But as much as I hate  
it I've got to force myself to do it and see if someday I  
can't see where it may have its rewards, or a little conso-  
lation now and then. I hope I won't consider the house a  
prison. I hope I can stand the new role I'm cast for &  
even enjoy it on occasions. I'm so glad I have you. When I  
think of how you took care of me & Pinkie when she came, I  
feel I don't know how I deserved such a wonderful man.  
The hours in the hospital drag by. Love & kisses -  
Tom.

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