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Dear Kimi,

Last night I spent 'till three o'clock listening to Lorraine telling <sup>me</sup> what was wrong with me. In many instances she's correct and I agree I shouldn't try to be as I am but the advice she's given me is from my standpoint - putrid. Well I listened - interestedly of course because it was all about me - and waited, just waited to tell her off. It never came about because she doesn't want to know - she don't give a damn what people think of her. Put me over on me she did. Lorraine tells me Henry (her) thinks I'm too serious and <sup>dad</sup> Ana Fujii analyzed me.

Because I spend so much of my spare time answering letters and reading I guess I've become rather distant and remote to the 'hips (as you say) on the campus. From now on I'm going to be changed though, watch my progress. I haven't attended church and C.E. but now I will.

Milaree is up in Heart Mountain now with intentions of staying for 2 weeks. I bet two to one in that time she'll try to convince her parents to consent to her marriage. ~~Heidi~~ Kiech (?) gave her a photograph.

Returning to the inevitable subject of the  
unimitable Lorraine — what she thinks people  
say about her is mild but if she doesn't want  
to know, who else cares?

The main problem seems rather crucial out  
there. Wait around awhile — you know you're  
not the type they can take in one swallow —  
and I'll bet you'll be writing about all sorts  
of dates. From what Steve Azuma relates,  
Geo. thinks the girls out there are okay! Steve  
is such a cute boy, in action as well as looks; why  
can't Geo. be likewise? By the way — at this late  
date — Steve razzes me about Leo. Where he found  
out I can't realize — not much.

I'm enclosing the negatives to those pictures  
we took outside the dorm just after finals. After  
you've finished with them, will you return  
them? I still have to send them to Ethel Uezgi.  
Near that Ethel has a job, domestic, in Salt  
Lake City.

By hell, the casualty list coming out gets  
more sickening each obnoxious day. One boy in  
our block was killed in action; he married  
my next door neighbor, Frances Kimura (inks)  
just a few months ago. The others I know by  
sight only but it's terrible any way. We ought  
to be glad no one in our respective families  
~~has~~ is overseas.

The kids are out watching the baseball game now. It seems we're making out okay and if the game is won tonight we'll make 2nd or 3rd place. Not bad, hey?

Kerri, can you send me a W. U. catalog? I'm thinking seriously of ~~it~~ applying for entrance there. How about Chicago U. and your application?

Boy you ought to see the "male" mosquitoes out here in Provo. Boy, I've got bites all over my legs and thighs. They are big. I'm telling you.

At the bindery - work is as usual - only today Mr. Clark consented to our having a radio. ~~off~~ Gloria and her sister ~~Maddy~~ Madelayne, Elaine Sperry, Lorraine, Key, Joshi Nagata, Miharu, & I work there now and we're all hepped up over the idea. From tomorrow we intend to dig into the bindery dirt and clean out the years mess. Imagine if you can, that place is going to be closed.

Key intends to remain at Whit. cotton ~~for~~ during the winter quarter. Honestly compared to what you did at her place, Key's job is easy. She's babied by Mrs. Whit. cotton, honestly. Key confided she believed Mrs. Whit. cot. became peeved at her at times but that she <sup>(Key)</sup> didn't mind it at all. I don't know but the girls seem to hold Key in contempt. Key is obnoxious.

at times but she means well.

We think that Geo. Uyeda likes Josie a trifle. We eat lunch under the tree just outside of the bindery on the lawn and often a note we see him.

I crave a light blue gaberdine suit or a good tweed suit and I'm determined to get one. Maybe on an impulse I'll send to New York for either one. How is your set up?

Norman writes, ~~and~~ He is in Chi. now and making plenty of dough at some lock company. You know how cute he is and his letters are funnier still. Complains that dates are much too expensive.

Seichi Watanabe is a member of the armed forces now as same is with He. Maceyama. The dirty guy spent a night and day in P. O. + he doesn't come to see us. Oh yes Ted. Kindshick<sup>er</sup> slipped away sometime during this week to Ft. Douglas. I guess he is in uniform now too.

Will write soon dear - remember I'm still here in this dump.

Love  
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